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CONFERENCE**

WRESTLING TOURNAMENT

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WESBANCO ARENA

JANUARY 18-20, 2018



Dr. Bill Welker

WVSSAC Rules Interpreter

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10PM

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JULIANNE PELUSI

ROB METZGER

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January 18-20, 2018

The Largest Conference Tournament in The United States
WesBanco Arena, Wheeling, WV

SESSION I THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, 2018 - 6:00PM
* OPENING CEREMONIES
* NATIONAL ANTHEM
* PRESENTATION OF ASSISTANT AND JUNIOR HIGH COACH OF THE YEAR AWARDS
* WRESTLING (8 MATS)

SESSION II FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 2018 - 12:00PM
* WRESTLING (8 MATS)

SESSION III FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 2018 - 6:00PM
* WRESTLING (8 MATS)

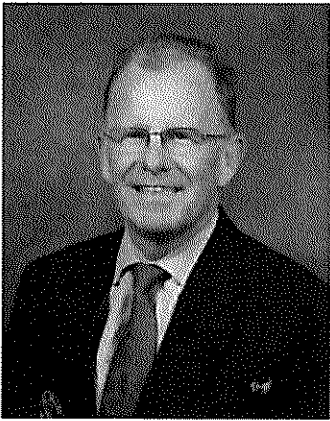
SESSION IV SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 2018 - 12:00PM
*WRESTLING (8 MATS)

SESSION V SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 2018 - 6:00PM
*INTRODUCTIONS/CEREMONIES
*MR. MAT 2018 PRESENTATION
*1993 OVAC CHAMPIONS AND COACHES

CHAMPIONSHIP WRESTLING - SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 2018 - 6:30PM
*WRESTLING (4 MATS)

ADMISSION

SINGLE SESSIONS	ADULTS \$6.00	STUDENT \$4.00
ALL SESSION TICKET BOOK	ADULTS \$25.00	STUDENT \$15.00
SINGLE FINAL SESSION	ADULT \$8.00	STUDENT \$5.00



Welcome to All

On behalf of the Ohio Valley Athletic Conference it is my privilege to welcome you to the 65th Annual OVAC "Ron Mauck" Wrestling Championships. This year the OVAC is proud to celebrate its 75th anniversary of serving the youth of the Ohio Valley!

Over these next three days of competition let's not lose sight that one of the missions of interscholastic athletics is to provide opportunities for young people that will enhance their educational experience. We hope our student-athletes are competing because they are having fun but there are lifelong lessons to be learned in athletic participation such as sportsmanship, citizenship, hard work, dedication, leadership and teamwork.

The past 64 years have brought many memorable milestones to OVAC Wrestling. Allow me to mention a few:

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

In 1979 Frank Rodriguez the Wheeling Civic Center Manager, had a great deal of respect for those involved with OVAC wrestling, and was instrumental in OVAC wrestling finding a home at WesBanco Arena. Currently we are blessed with Dennis Magruder, who has given us the same positive support, along with the entire WesBanco Arena 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, in a tragic accident. Out of their love for him the "Daniel M. Burke Wrestling Scholarship" was initiated in 1983. In 1996 we lost a fantastic wrestling enthusiast from Marshall County affectionately named "Dead Eye". His devoted family established the "James H. Morris Sportsmanship Scholarship" in 1997, out of his love for the mat sport. In 1999, East Liverpool's two-time OVAC Champ and Hercules Award winner, Matt Salsberry, was lost in a tragic auto accident. In 2003, "Friends in Memory of Matt Salsberry" established an annual academic/wrestling scholarship. In 2003, Lucas "Luke" Sedgmer, a two-time OVAC Wrestling Champion from Cadiz High School tragically lost his life in an auto accident. In 2005, a committee in his community established The Lucas D. Sedgmer Memorial Scholarship. Currently \$5000.00 annually awarded to five (5) deserving wrestlers to continue their educations. These five (5) permanently installed scholarship funds over the years have afforded deserving OVAC wrestlers over \$128,000 in college scholarships.

Without the efforts and dedication of the workers, coaches, officials and wrestlers, the tournament would not be the outstanding event it is! These are the people who make the OVAC "Ron Mauck" Wrestling Tournament the best in the nation. A special "Thank You" to all these individuals!

So let's make our focus -- win or lose --to recognize and applaud the commitment, dedication and determination of the wrestlers competing this weekend. I wish everyone the best of luck and let's extend a special welcome to the Paden City wrestlers and their coaches in their inaugural season and their OVAC "Ron Mauck" Wrestling Championships appearance!

Dr. Dan Doyle, Director



THE RON MAUCK OVAC WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIPS ***"His Story"***

Educator, coach, administrator, and community leader – Ron Mauck has been the tournament director of the OVAC Wrestling Championships since 1979. Due to his total devotion to the event, it was renamed the Ron Mauck OVAC Wrestling Championships in 2006.

A protégé of the late, legendary George Kovalick, Ron Mauck also established conference's dual meet championship standings in 1971 and directed five WV State Tournaments at the Wheeling Civic Center (now Wes-Banco Arena). On three separate occasions, he served as a volunteer on the staff for NAIA and NCAA Division II championships (hosted by West Liberty State College) held in Wheeling.

In addition to his mat sport duties for the conference, Mauck was a long-time member of the Rudy Mumley OVAC All-Star Football Classic. He was assistant game director and later served as game director from 1993 through 1998.

A Bridgeport High School and West Liberty State College (WLSC), who earned his master's in safety education, Ron Mauck began his teaching and coaching career in 1965 at Follansbee High School where he started the school's varsity wrestling program and coached the school's only individual state champion (Lou Daly). While at Follansbee, Mauck coached John Craig, a first-time wrestler as a senior in 1965, who later became an All-American at WLSC and developed into one of the most successful mat mentors in the Ohio Valley.

When the consolidated Brooke High School opened in 1968, Ron Mauck was named to coach the wrestling team where he tutored the Bruin's first WV Wrestling State Champion – Jim Suddoth. Before retiring after a 34-year career in education, Mauck served as Brooke's Director of Driver Education Department. He also served as the school's Physical Plant Director, Assistant Athletic Director and Athletic Director. In fact, he was named the WV Athletic Director of the Year (1995) and was a past president of the WV Safety Association. He also served as the president of the Bridgeport High School Alumni Association. Promoting education in Ohio County, Mauck later served as president of the Warwood Junior High School Athletic Association.

Over the years, Ron Mauck received many, many accolades. In 1986, he received the prestigious OVAC Mr. Mat Award. He was also named the WV Wrestling Coaches Man of the Year in 1987 and *Wrestling USA Magazine's* WV State Man of the Year in 2013. Mauck also received recognition awards from the Upper Ohio Valley Dapper Dan Club (1985 and 1997). He was twice named the Warwood Lions' Club Citizen of the Year, winner of the H.V. Corcoran, Sr. Award (2001) and was inducted into the Brooke County Wall of Fame (2006).

The OVAC Conference cannot thank Mr. Ron Mauck enough for his decades of dedication to the athletes and students of the Ohio Valley.

Now you know Ron Mauck's story – a humble man who has lived a "life of service" to his community, family, and God.



Dr. Bill Welker OVAC Wrestling Biography

As head sophomore coach at Wheeling Park, Welker was instrumental in producing three West Virginia AAA state championship teams. For his efforts as a high school mat mentor, Welker was selected as one of the top wrestling coaches in the country by *Scholastic Wrestling News* in 1979. He has coached wrestling at the youth, middle and high school levels for three decades.

In 2005, Welker retired after 25 years as a wrestling referee. During his officiating tenure, he has been named West Virginia Official of the Year (1990), National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS), Mideast Section

Distinguished Official of the Year (2001), National Official of the Year by *Wrestling USA Magazine* (2002), and Larry Deaton OVAC Official of the Year (2003).

Welker was the WVSSAC wrestling clinician, rules interpreter and state tournament supervisor of officials from 1989 until 2017. He has also served on the NFHS national wrestling rules committee (2012-2015).

A prolific writer, Welker has published over 600 articles on the art and science of wrestling since 1974. He was twice named the National Sportswriter of the Year by *Wrestling USA Magazine* in 1987 and 2013, and he has received the West Virginia Snyder-Miller Wrestling Media Award seven times by the state coaches' association for his *Mat Talk* column published from 1978 to 2010. Welker is the author/editor of *The Wrestling Drill Book*, which has sold over 30,000 copies nationwide. Most recently, he penned his nationally-acclaimed, award-winning memoirs: *The Sparrow's Spirit: A Champion Wrestler's Lifetime Reflections on Prayer and Perseverance*. Welker also wrote the script and produced the DVD entitled *The Pancake Takedown Series* (2008).

Welker has been inducted into four wrestling halls of fame, including the National Wrestling Hall of Fame (West Virginia Chapter) and the Pennsylvania Wrestling Hall of Fame. He was the 1991 OVAC Mr. Mat recipient. Welker also received the Master of Wrestling Award from *Wrestling USA Magazine* (2008).

Welker earned both his bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Pittsburgh. He later acquired a doctorate in the field of education from West Virginia University. Upon his retirement from teaching (40 years) in 2009, Welker was selected as *Teacher of the Year* by the Wheeling Area Chamber of Commerce. In 2014, Welker received the prestigious *Jasper N. Deahl Award* from West Virginia University for lifetime contributions to education and his community.

Welker and his wife, Peggy, have four children (Billy, Ricky, Tiffany, and Daniel) and 15 grandchildren. They reside on Wheeling Island.

The Ohio Valley Athletic Conference salutes Dr. Bill Welker for his unceasing devotion to Ohio Valley wrestling.



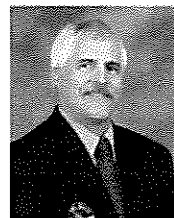
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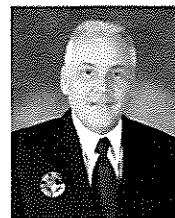
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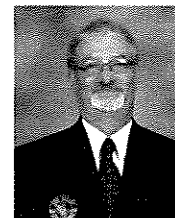
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Baseball



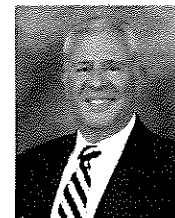
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Basketball



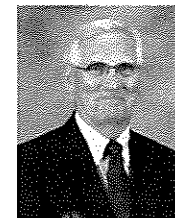
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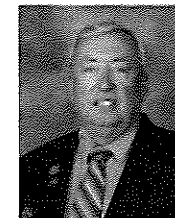
Dugan Hill
Cross Country
Track



Dave Clutter
Football



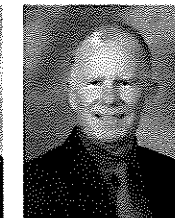
Don Zinni
Ass't. Football



Tom Bechtel
Softball



Pegi Bannan
Volleyball



Dr. Dan Doyle
Wrestling



Tom Rataiczak
Secretary/Treasurer



Fred King
Class 1A



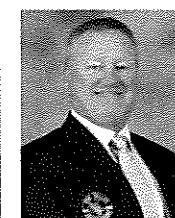
Ed Cihy
Class 2A



Molly Feller
Class 3A



Kelly Rine
Class 4A



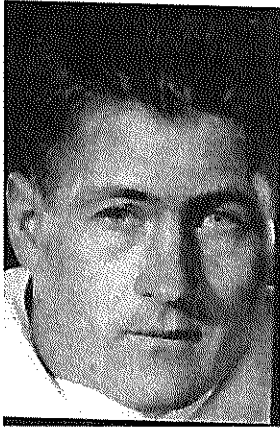
Rick Leach
Class 5A



Bob Koch
Football All-Star

2017 - 2018

OVAC MR. MAT AWARD 1976-1987



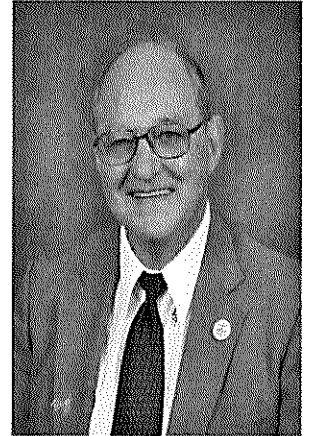
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GEORGE KOVALICK
BELLAIRE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR



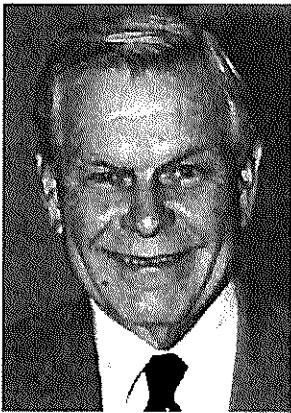
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BILL VAN HORNE
SPORTS EDITOR
WHEELING REGISTER



1978
JOHN VROTSOS
MARTINS FERRY HIGH



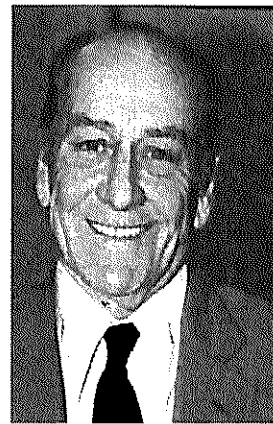
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PRINCIPAL, SPRINGFIELD OHI



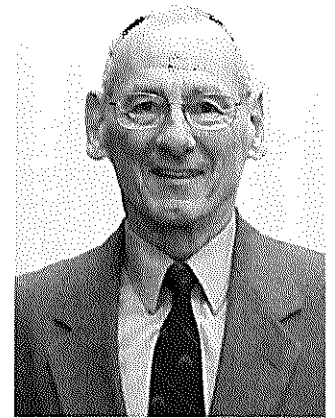
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JOHN MARSHALL A.D.



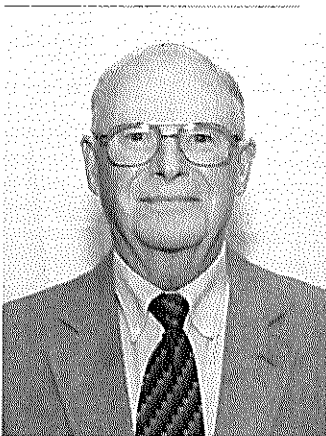
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BOB HEDMOND
STEBENVILLE A.D.



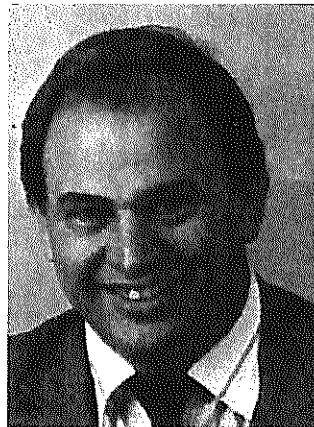
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PAUL CRAGO
MARSHALL COUNTY SCHOOLS



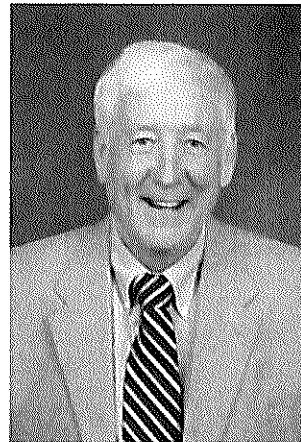
1983
DR. VINCE MONSEAU
WEST LIBERTY STATE
COLLEGE



1984
BILL HINEGARDNER
JOHN MARSHALL HIGH



1985
DENNIS BOWMAN
BELLAIRE HIGH

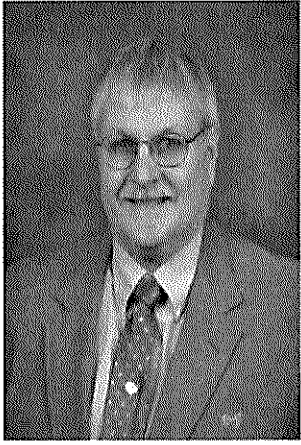


1986
RON MAUCK
BROOKE HIGH



1987
ERIC CARDER
WHEELING PARK A.D.

OVAC MR. MAT AWARD 1988-1999



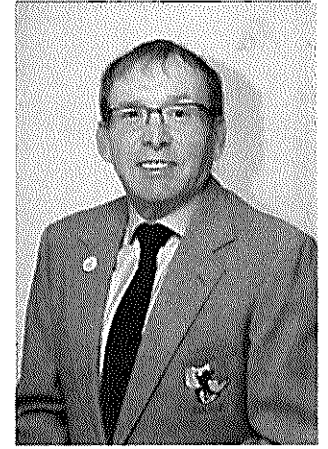
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BARNESVILLE HIGH



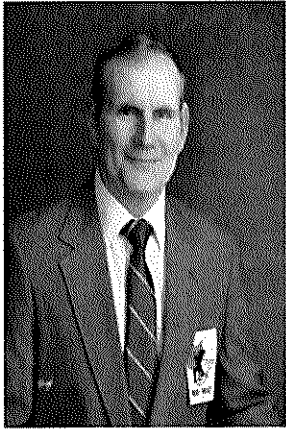
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STEVE KISH
PRINCIPAL, BELLAIRE HIGH



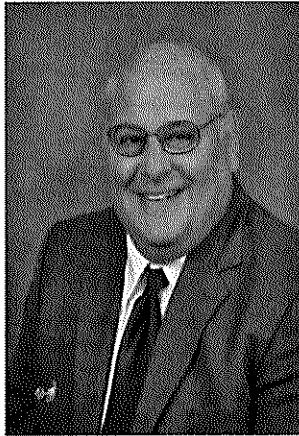
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CARL FODOR
HANCOCK COUNTY



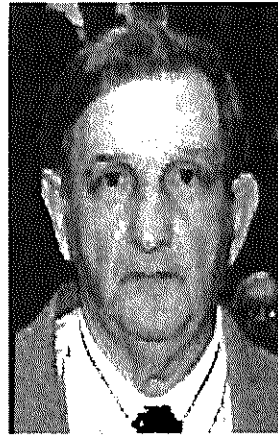
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WARWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL



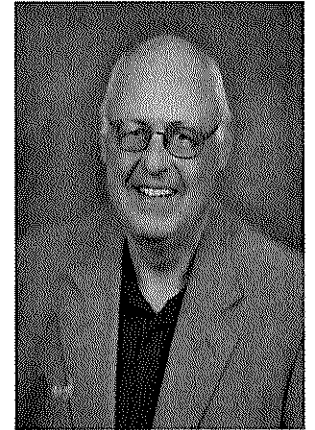
1992
LARRY DEATON
MARTINS FERRY



1993
JOHN STEPHENSON
CADIZ HIGH



1994
JOE BATES
WOODSFIELD HIGH



1995
BOB BRUNEY
MARTINS FERRY HIGH



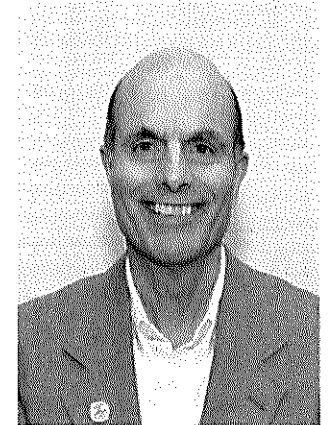
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LARRY CHAMBERS
MOUNDSVILLE JR. HIGH



1997
GARY DAVIS
BEALLSVILLE HIGH

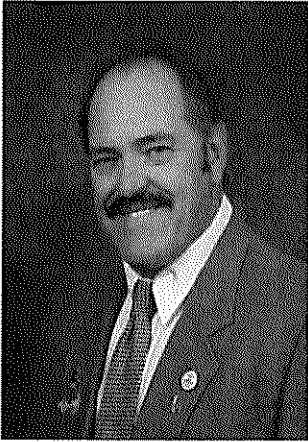


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MARTINS FERRY
TIMES LEADER

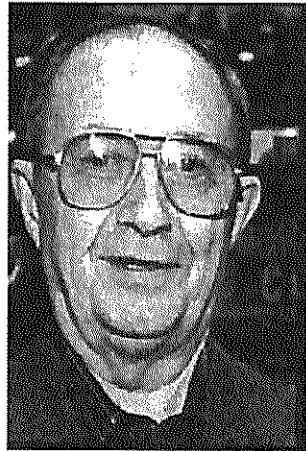


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TOM LACKMAN
JEFFERSON UNION HIGH

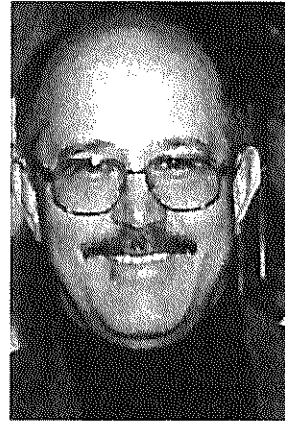
OVAC MR. MAT AWARD 2000-2011



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ED "BUZZ" EVANS
WHEELING PARK HIGH



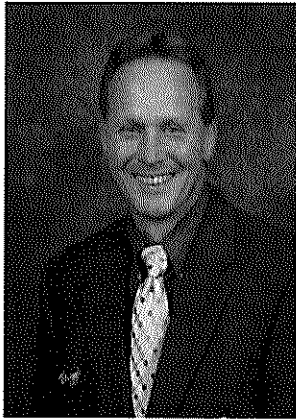
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WILLIAM MCELLOWNEY
WHEELING



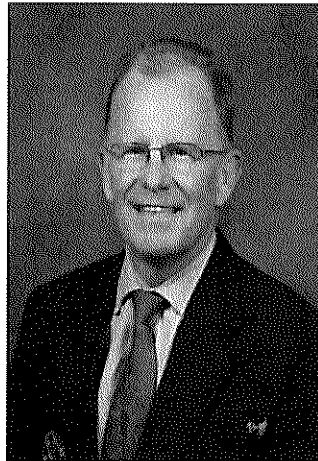
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JOHN CRAIG
INDIAN CREEK



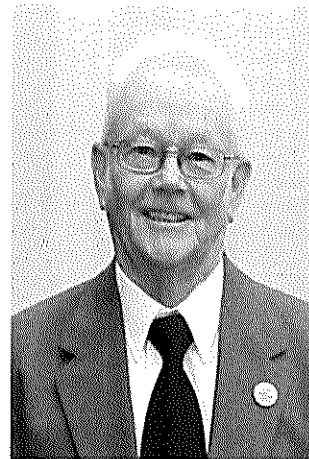
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ED DUGAS
JOHN MARSHALL



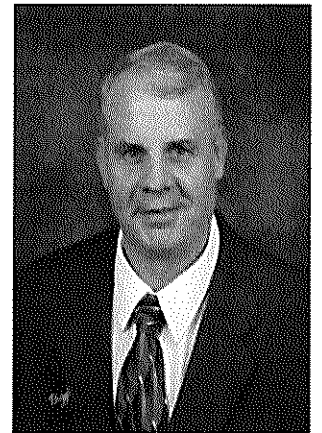
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MARTINS FERRY



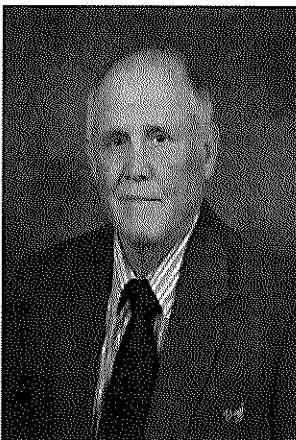
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DR. DAN DOYLE
NOBLE COUNTY SCHOOLS



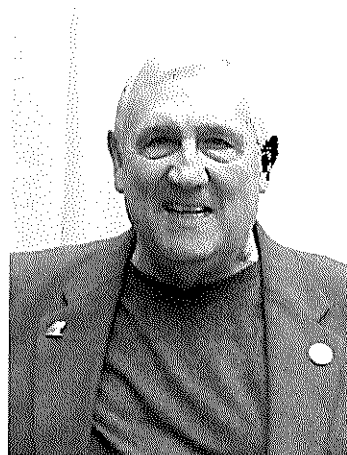
2006
NOLAN VAN GILDER
BROOKE HIGH



2007
RICK LINK
UNION LOCAL



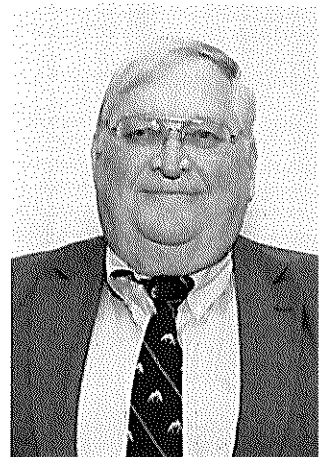
2008
JIM POTTS
CAMERON



2009
PAUL BILLIARD
BROOKE HIGH

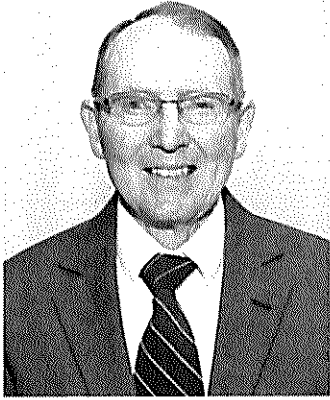


2010
JEFF CARROLL
CAMBRIDGE HIGH

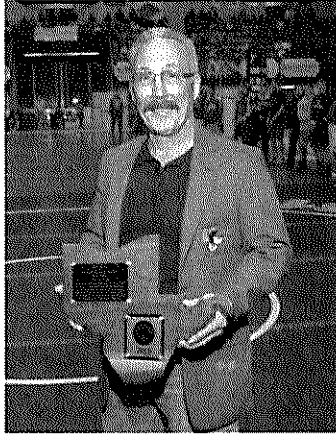


2011
RICH GREGOR
AMSTERDAM

OVAC MR MAT AWARD 2012-



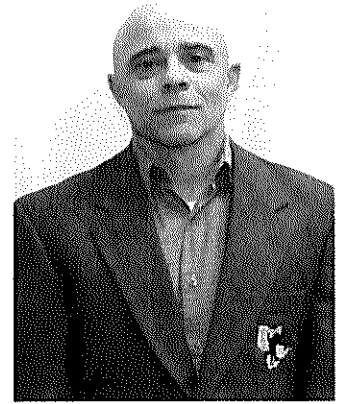
2012
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BRIDGEPORT



2013
DAVID LAMOTTE
BRIDGEPORT



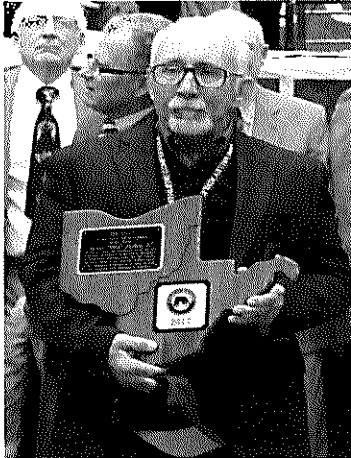
2014
DARRELL DAVIS
BARNESVILLE



2015
GENE MONTELEONE
WHEELING PARK



2016
JIM CROSIER
STEUBENVILLE



2017
ANDREW LAMOTTE
BRIDGEPORT

RON MAUCK OVAC WRESTLING TOURNAMENT TEAM CHAMPIONS

1954-2017

1954	BRIDGEPORT	GEORGE KOVALICK	1991	OAK GLEN	LARRY SHAW
1955	BRIDGEPORT	GEORGE KOVALICK	1992	STEUBENVILLE	JOHN CRAIG
1956	BRIDGEPORT	GEORGE KOVALICK	1993	MARTINS FERRY	JEFF OBERDICK
1957	BRIDGEPORT	GEORGE KOVALICK	1994	WHEELING PARK	BUZZ EVANS
1958	BRIDGEPORT	GEORGE KOVALICK	1995	STEUBENVILLE	RICK CAMILLETTI
1959	BRIDGEPORT	GEORGE KOVALICK	1996	BUCKEYE LOCAL	DAN DOYLE
1960	BRIDGEPORT	GEORGE KOVALICK	1997	BUCKEYE LOCAL	DAN DOYLE
1961	MARTINS FERRY	JOHN VROTSOS	1998	MARTINS FERRY	JEFF OBERDICK
1962	MARTINS FERRY	JOHN VROTSOS	1999	MARTINS FERRY	JEFF OBERDICK
1963	MARTINS FERRY	JOHN VROTSOS	2000	EAST LIVERPOOL	SCOTT HEIMSTRA
1964	MARTINS FERRY	JOHN VROTSOS	2001	EAST LIVERPOOL	SCOTT HEIMSTRA
1965	MARTINS FERRY	JOHN VROTSOS	2002	OAK GLEN	LARRY SHAW
1966	MARTINS FERRY	JOHN VROTSOS	2003	BEAVER LOCAL	RICH WRIGHT
1967	MARTINS FERRY	JOHN VROTSOS	2004	OAK GLEN	LARRY SHAW
1968	MARTINS FERRY	JOHN VROTSOS	2005	OAK GLEN	LARRY SHAW
1969	ST. JOHN'S	DENNIS BOWMAN	2006	WHEELING PARK	GENE MONTELEONE
1970	WHEELING CENTRAL	JOHN HIBBERT	2007	OAK GLEN	LARRY SHAW
1971	ST. JOHN'S	DENNIS BOWMAN	2008	WHEELING PARK	SEAN DOYLE
1972	JOHN MARSHALL	BILL HINEGARDNER	2009	HARRISON CENTRAL	TODD DUNLAP
1973	JOHN MARSHALL	BILL HINEGARDNER	2010	PARKERSBURG SOUTH	PAUL JACKSON
1974	JOHN MARSHALL	BILL HINEGARDNER	2011	PARKERSBURG SOUTH	PAUL JACKSON
1975	WARWOOD	ERIC CARDER	2012	PARKERSBURG SOUTH	PAUL JACKSON
1976	WEIR	CHARLES MURRAY	2013	STEUBENVILLE	MIKE BLACKBURN
1977	JOHN MARSHALL	BILL HINEGARDNER	2014	PARKERSBURG SOUTH	DONNA DIXON
1978	WHEELING PARK	ERIC CARDER	2015	PARKERSBURG SOUTH	DONNA DIXON
1979	WHEELING PARK	ERIC CARDER	2016	PARKERSBURG SOUTH	SHAUN SMITH
1980	STEUBENVILLE	JOHN CRAIG	2017	PARKERSBURG SOUTH	SHAUN SMITH
1981	CADIZ	JOHN STEPHESON			
1982	STEUBENVILLE	JOHN CRAIG			
1983	JOHN MARSHALL	ED DUGAS			
1984	STEUBENVILLE	JOHN CRAIG			
1985	BARNESVILLE	DARRELL DAVIS			
1986	EAST LIVERPOOL	NICK TROMBETTA			
1987	STEUBENVILLE	JOHN CRAIG			
1988	EAST LIVERPOOL	NICK TROMBETTA			
1989	STEUBENVILLE	JOHN CRAIG			
1990	WHEELING PARK	ERIC CARDER			

**2017 RON MAUCK OVAC WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIPS
FINAL TEAM SCORES BY CLASS**

CLASS 5A

PARKERSBURG SOUTH	298
BEAVER LOCAL	176
UNIVERSITY	161.5
WHEELING PARK	124
INDIAN CREEK	109
JOHN MARSHALL	85
BROOKE	53.5
CAMBRIDGE	48
MORGANTOWN	18

CLASS 4A

STEUBENVILLE	228.5
OAK GLEN	141.5
MEADOWBROOK	78
WEIR	75.5
EAST LIVERPOOL	59
UNION LOCAL	57.5
EDISON	51
HARRISON CENTRAL	48
BUCKEYE LOCAL	33.5
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CLASS 3A

MARTINS FERRY	85.5
LINSLY	82
CRESTVIEW	63.5
BARNESVILLE	58.5
MAGNOLIA	54
TYLER CONSOLIDATED	35
BELLAIRE	28
SHENANDOAH	19
FORT FRYE	6.5
MONROE CENTRAL	0

CLASS 1 & 2 A

SHADYSIDE	124.5
MADONNA	78.5
CALDWELL	44
BRIDGEPORT	43.5
CAMERON	25
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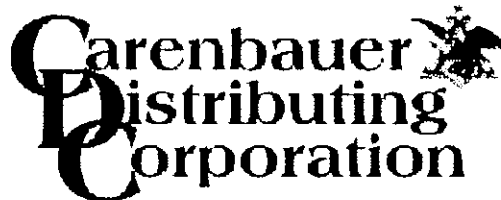
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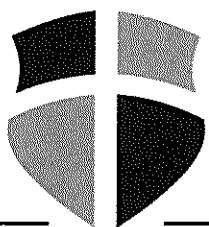
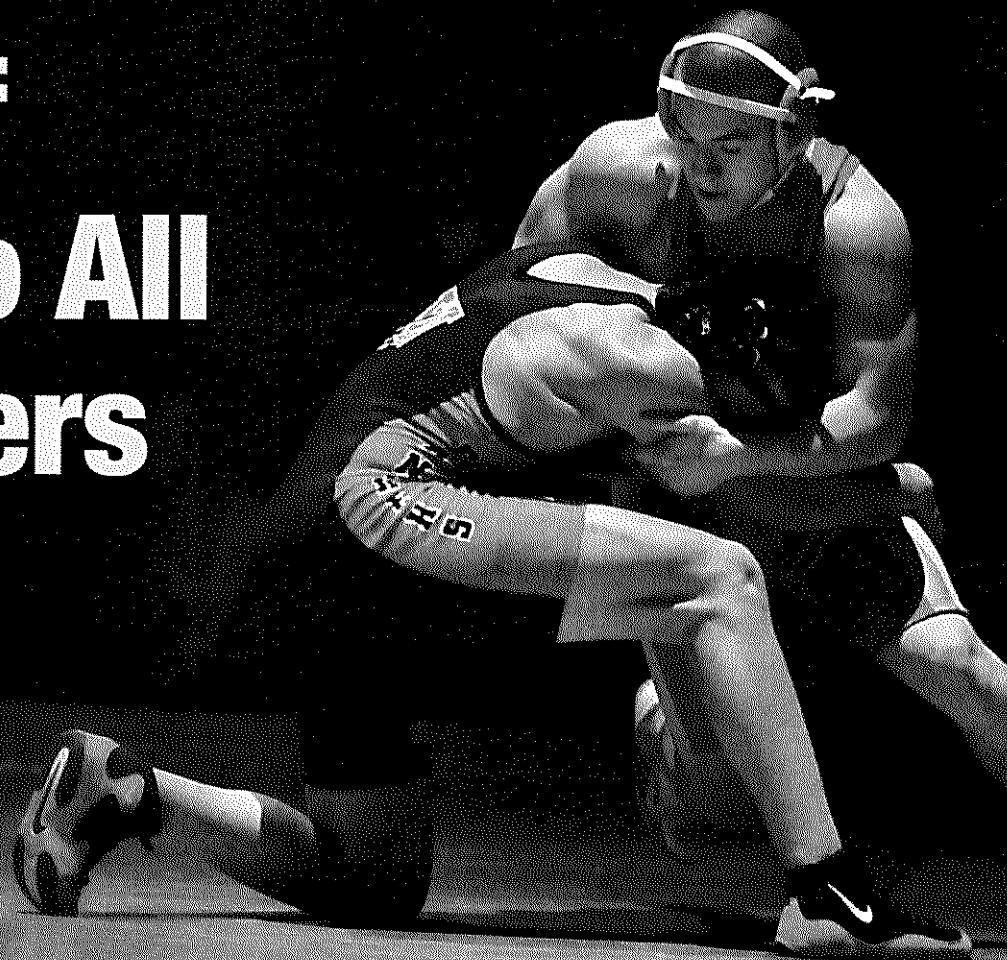


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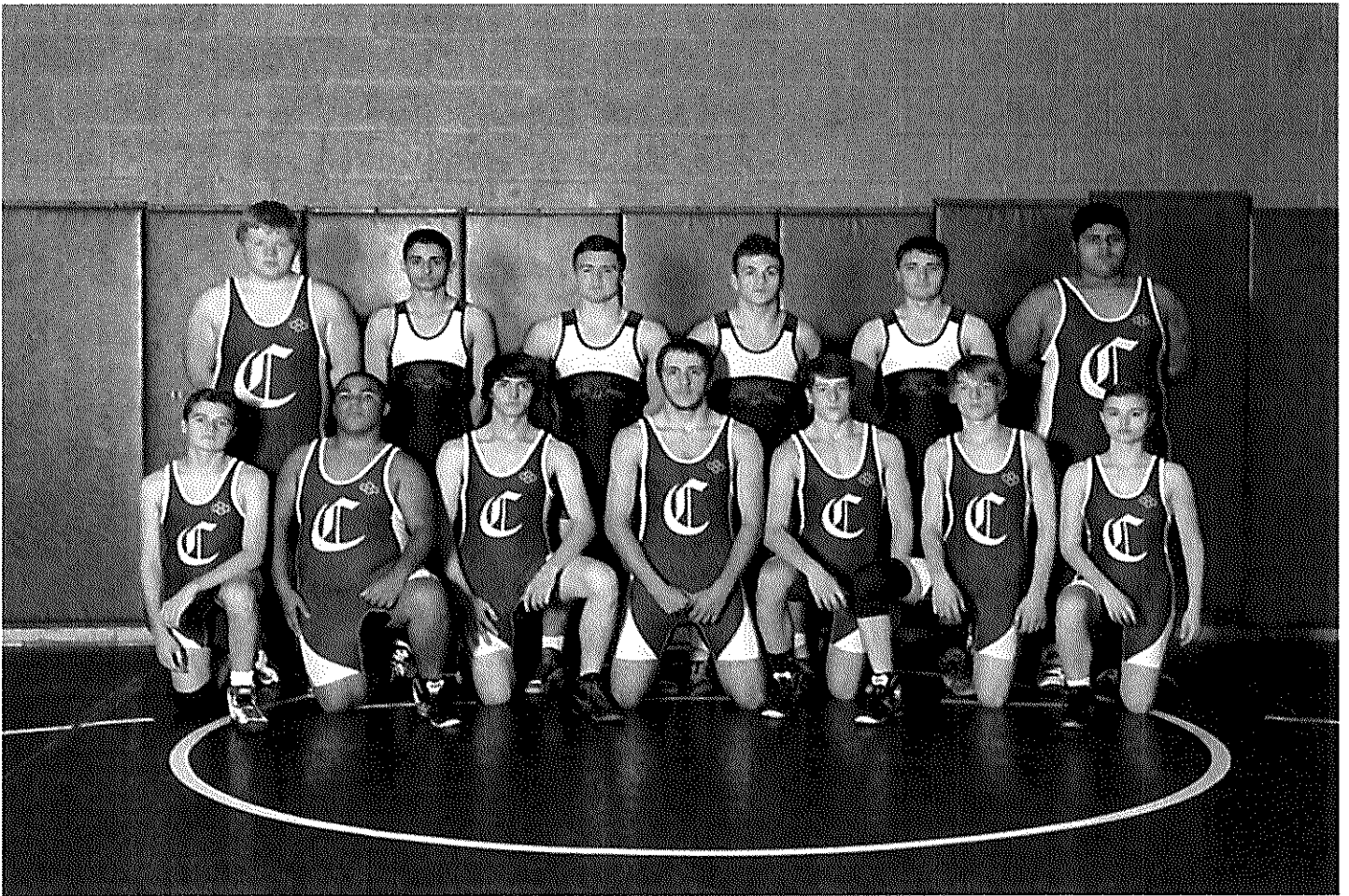
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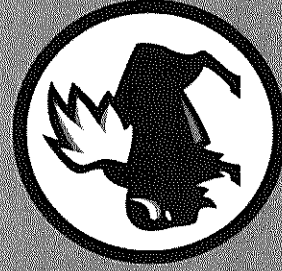
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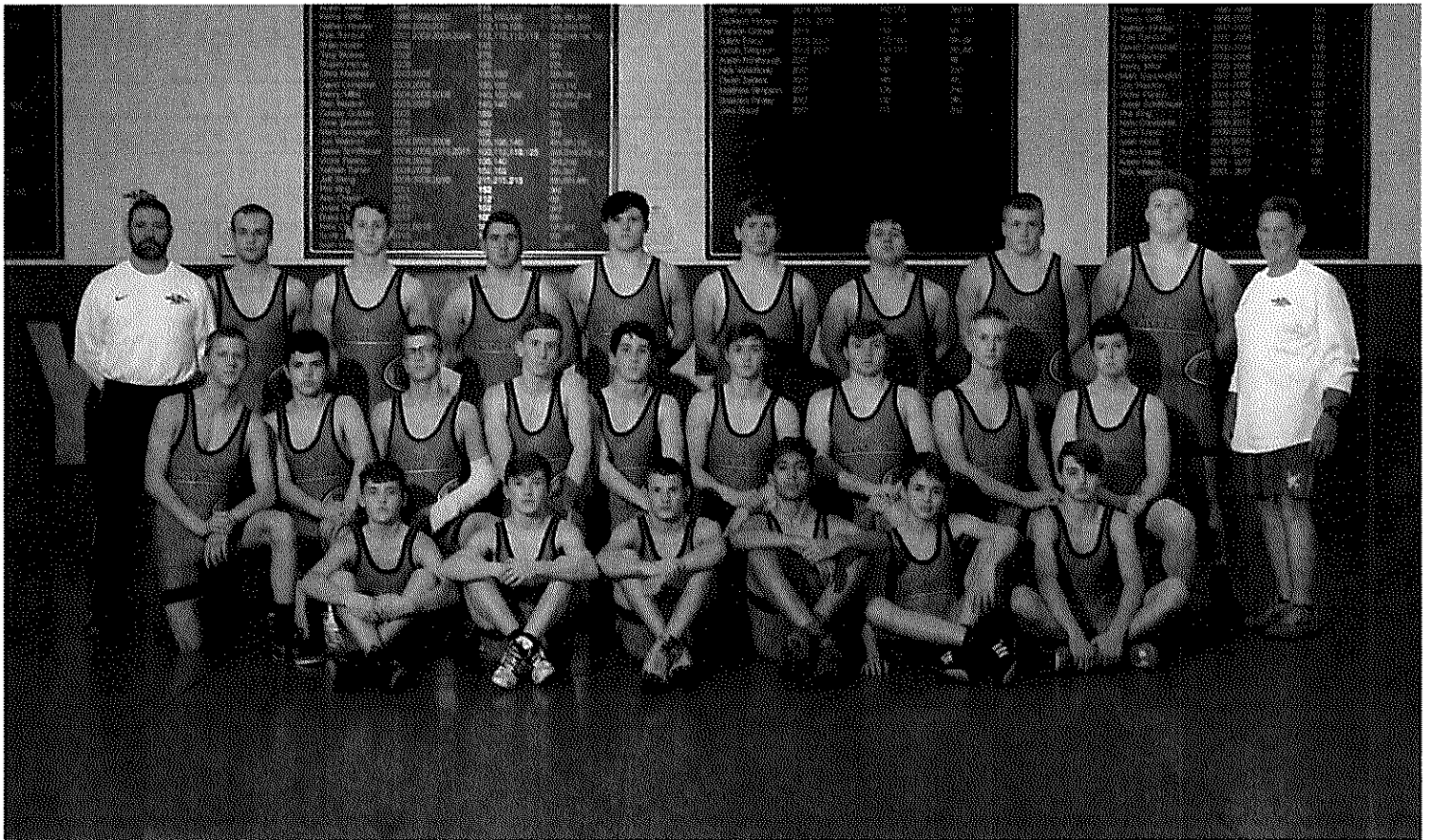
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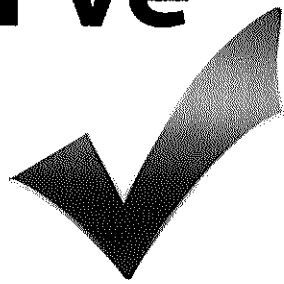


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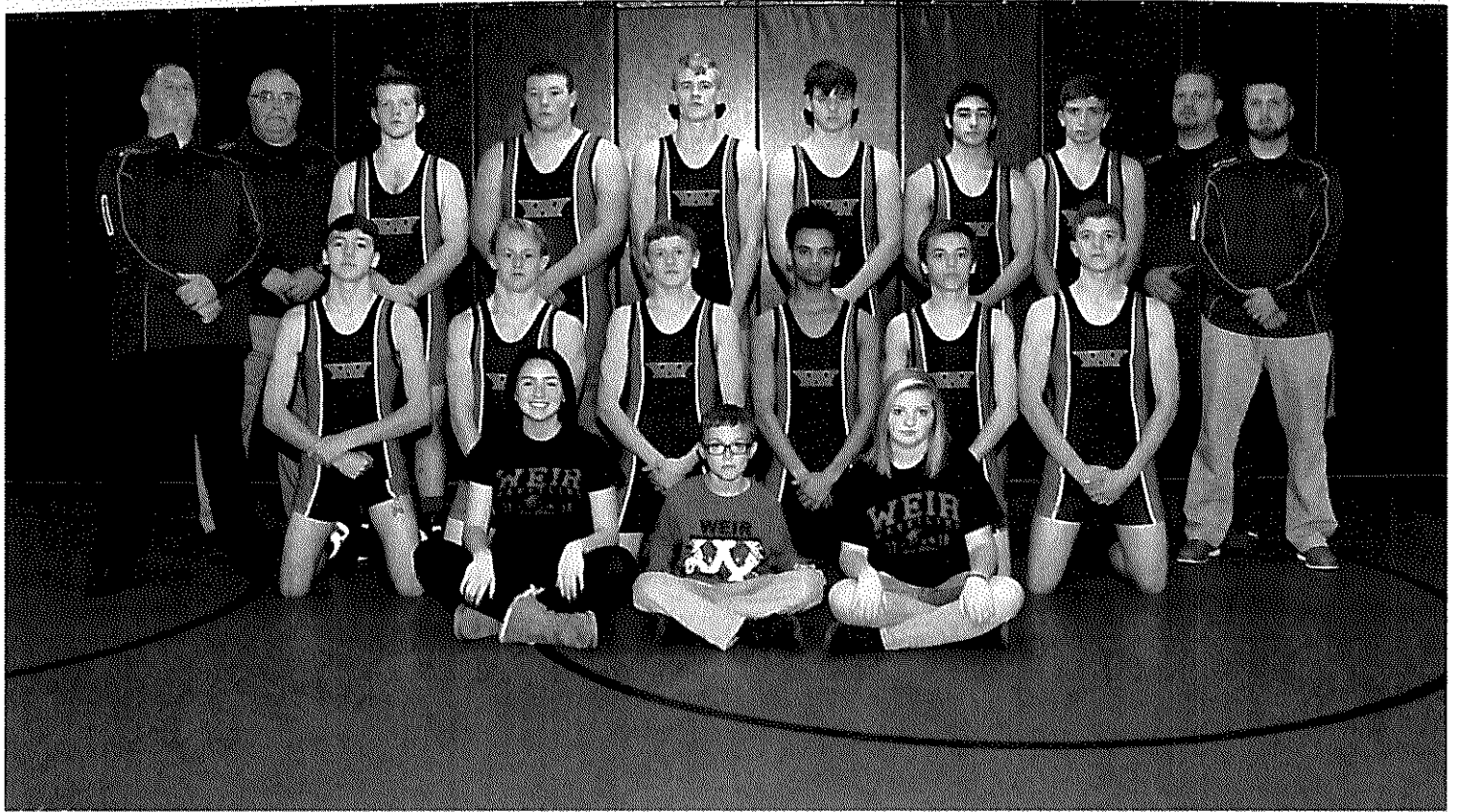
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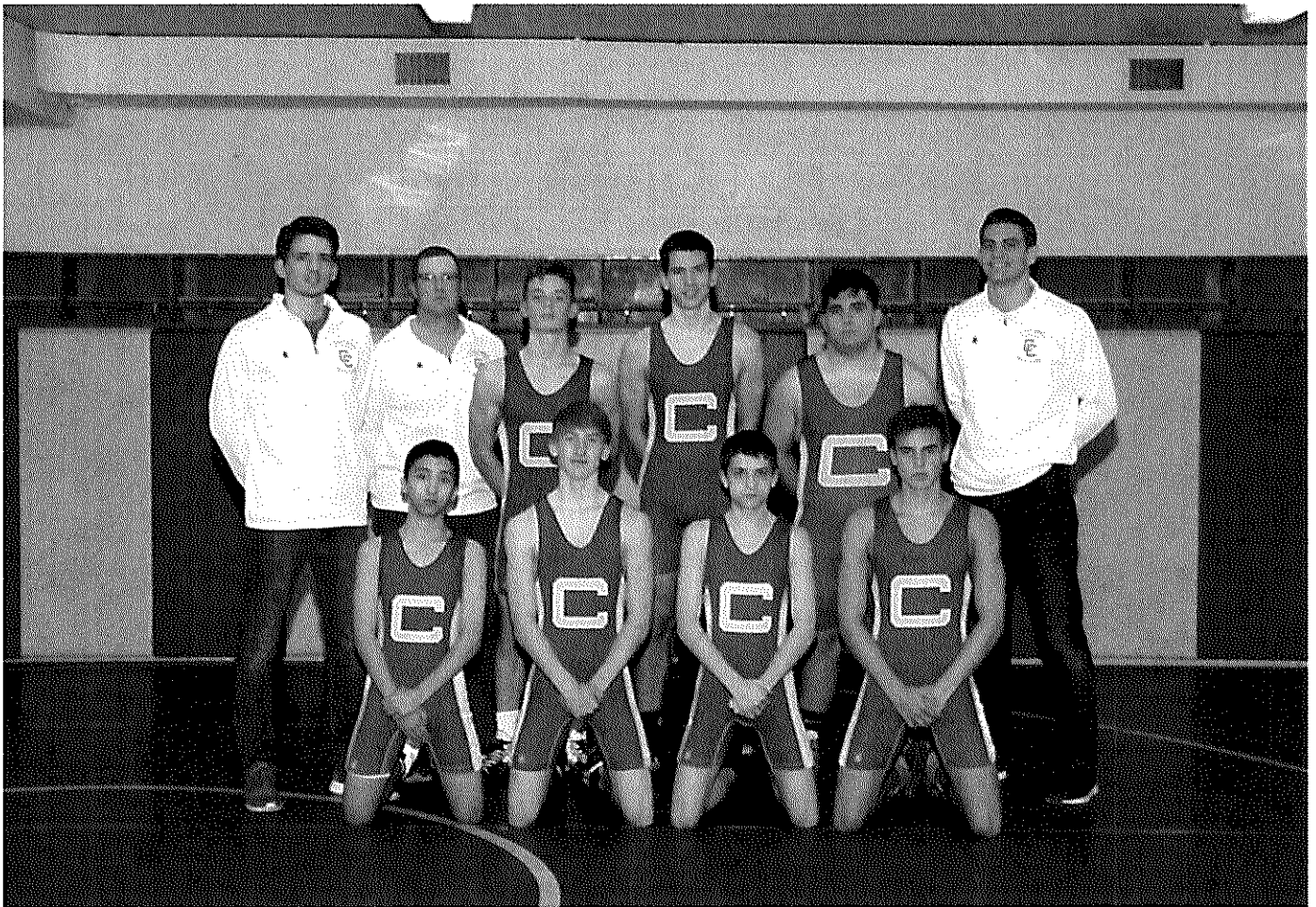


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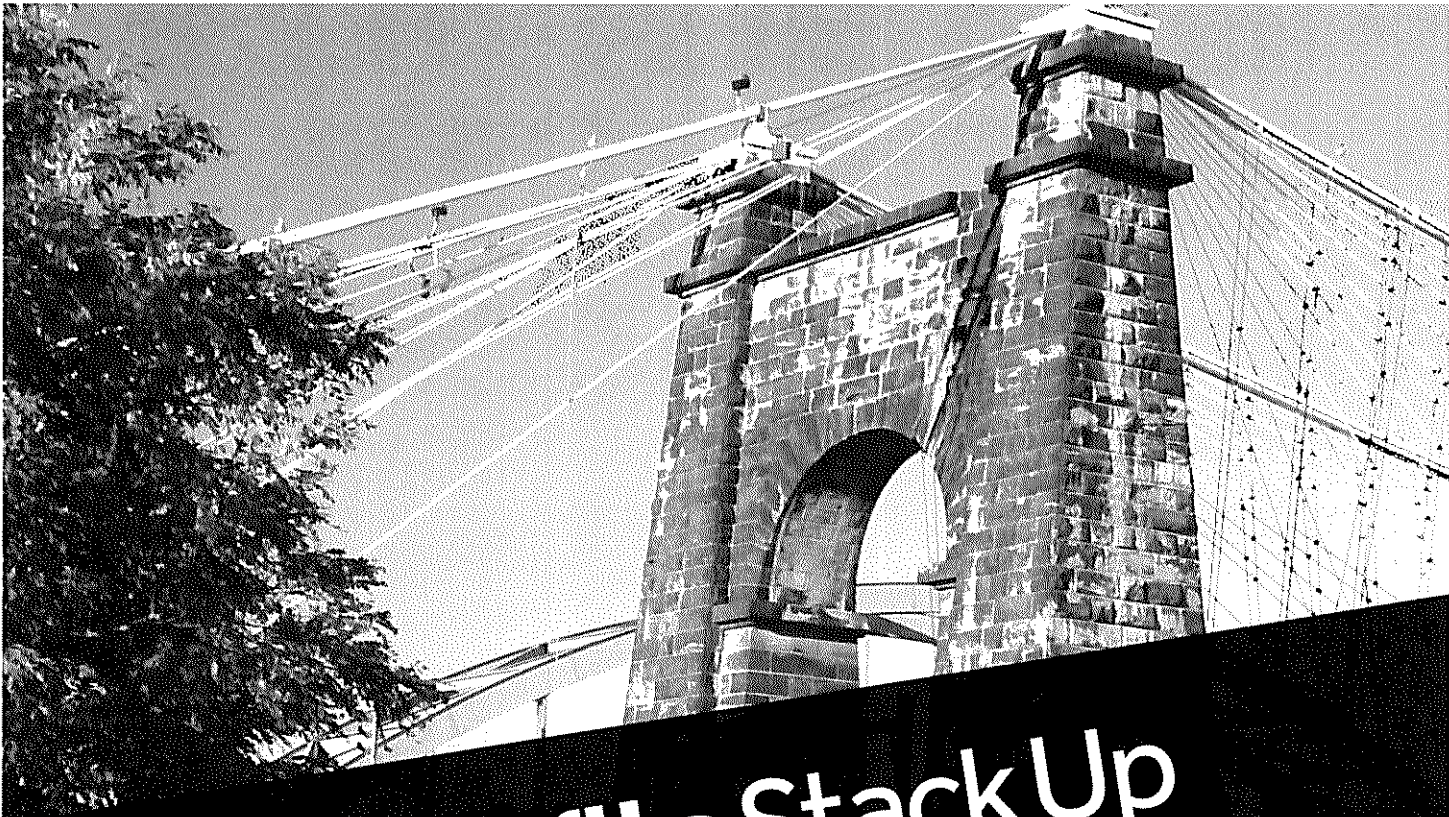
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1st Row - Nate Loot; Jake Mathews; JP Palidino; Mike Irvin

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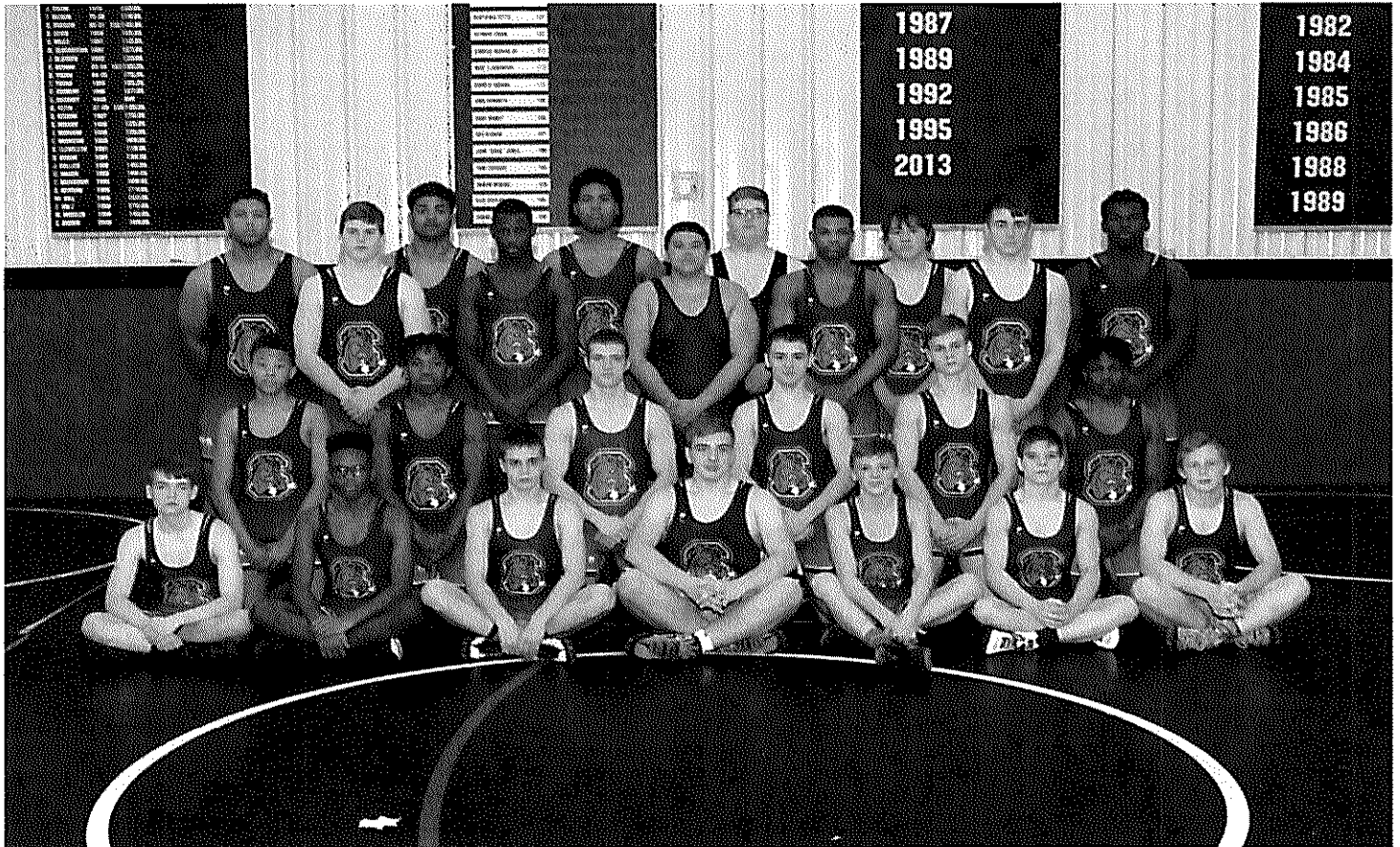
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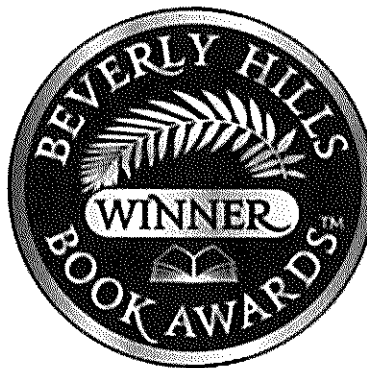
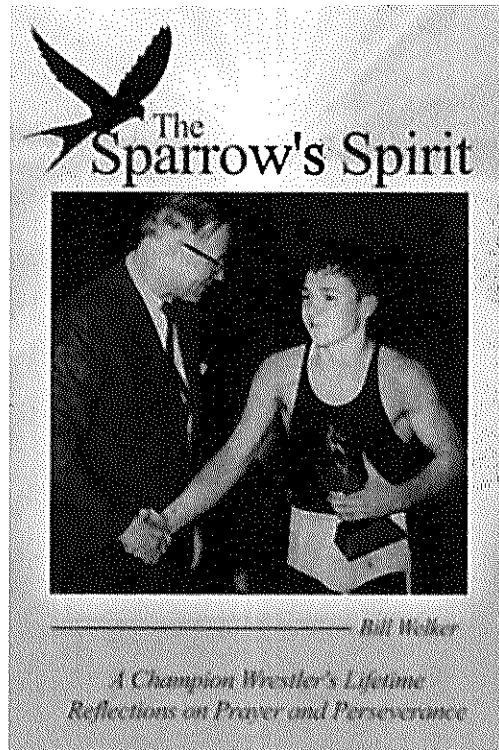
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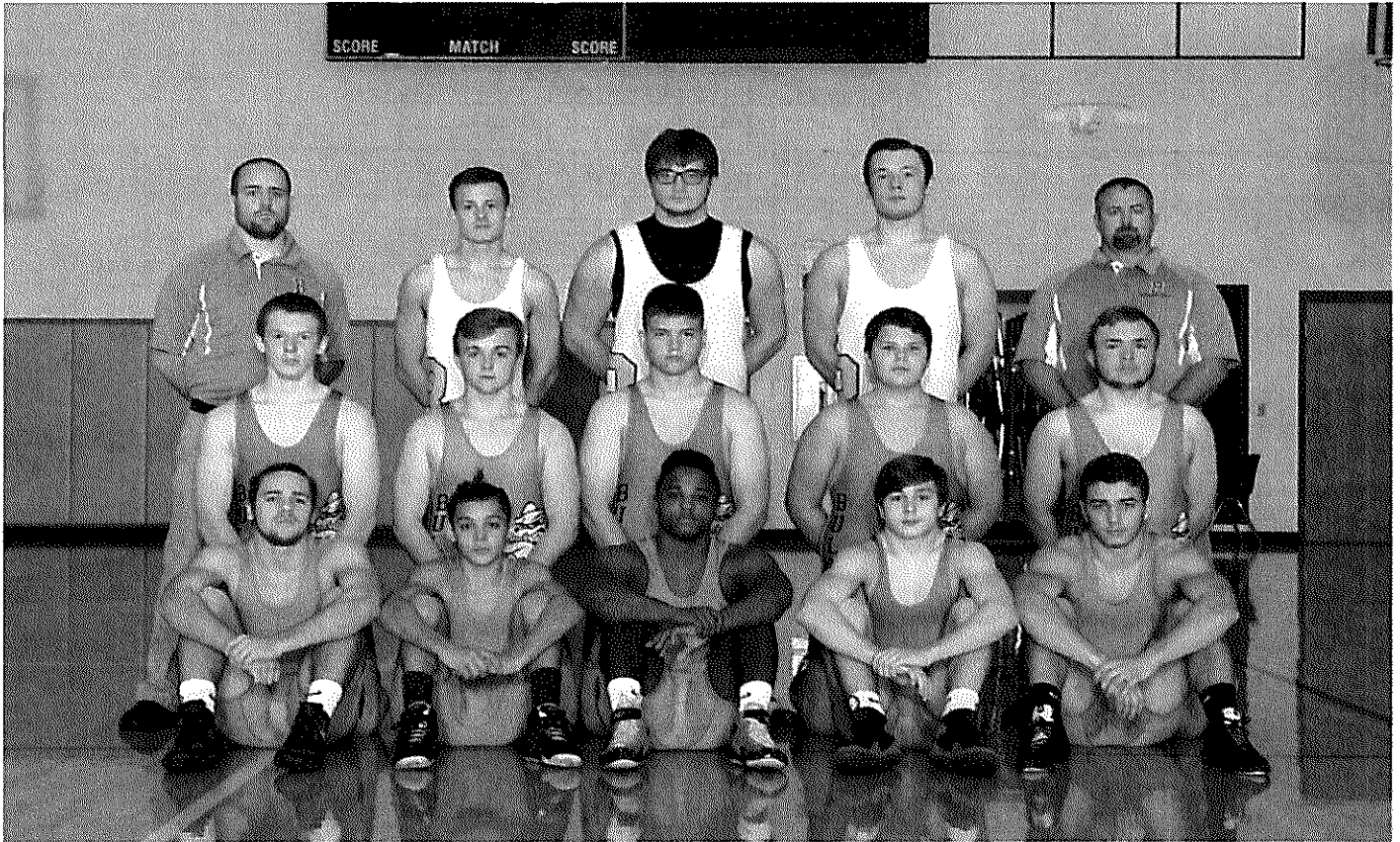
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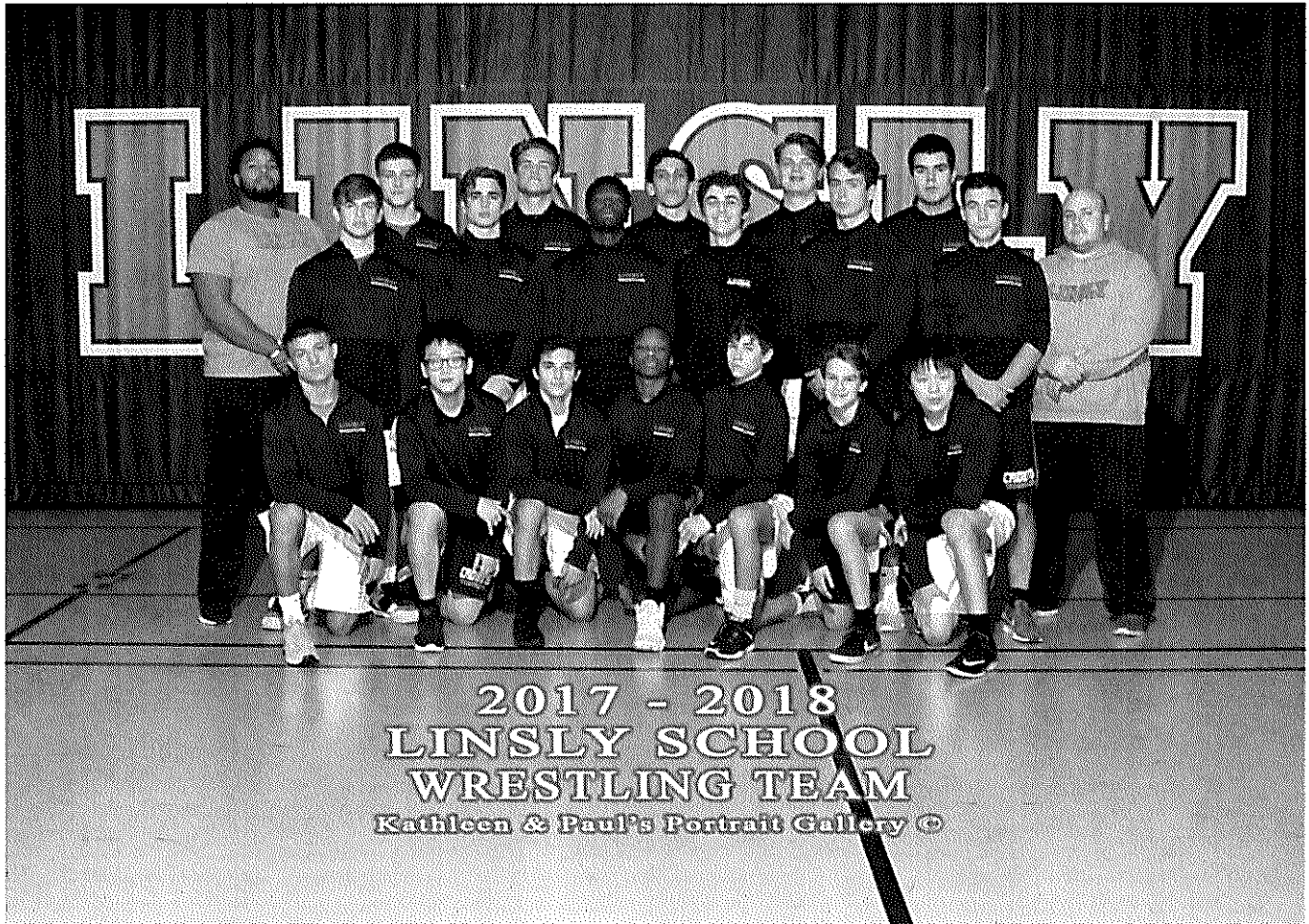
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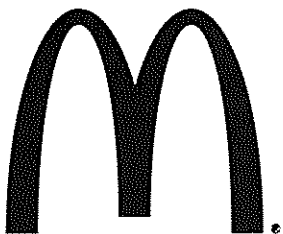


1st Row - Julian Giovengo, Sam Park, Matt Dudich, Zachai Simmons, Federico Balius, Diego Garcia, Brad Bin

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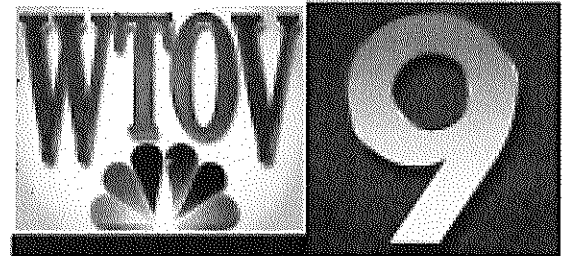
1st Row - Devon Keys, AJ Barton, Howard Williams, Jonathan Potts

2nd Row - Matt Smith, David Spencer, Logan Bennett, Justin Bucheit, Kaleb Bailey,
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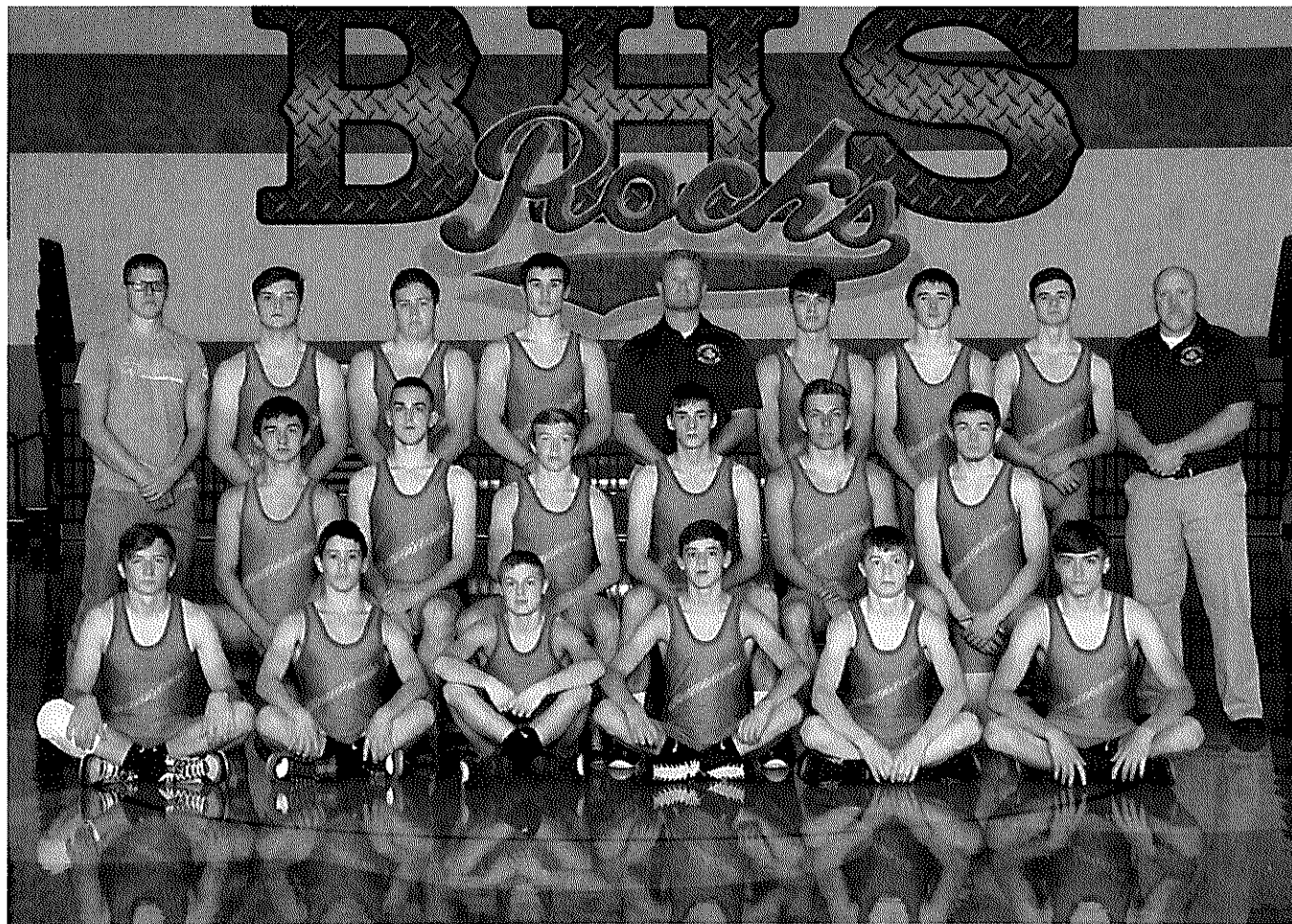
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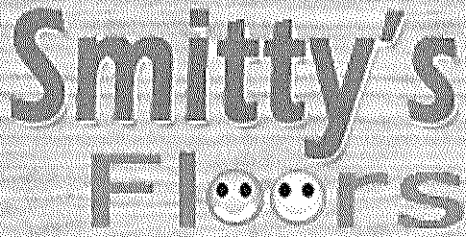
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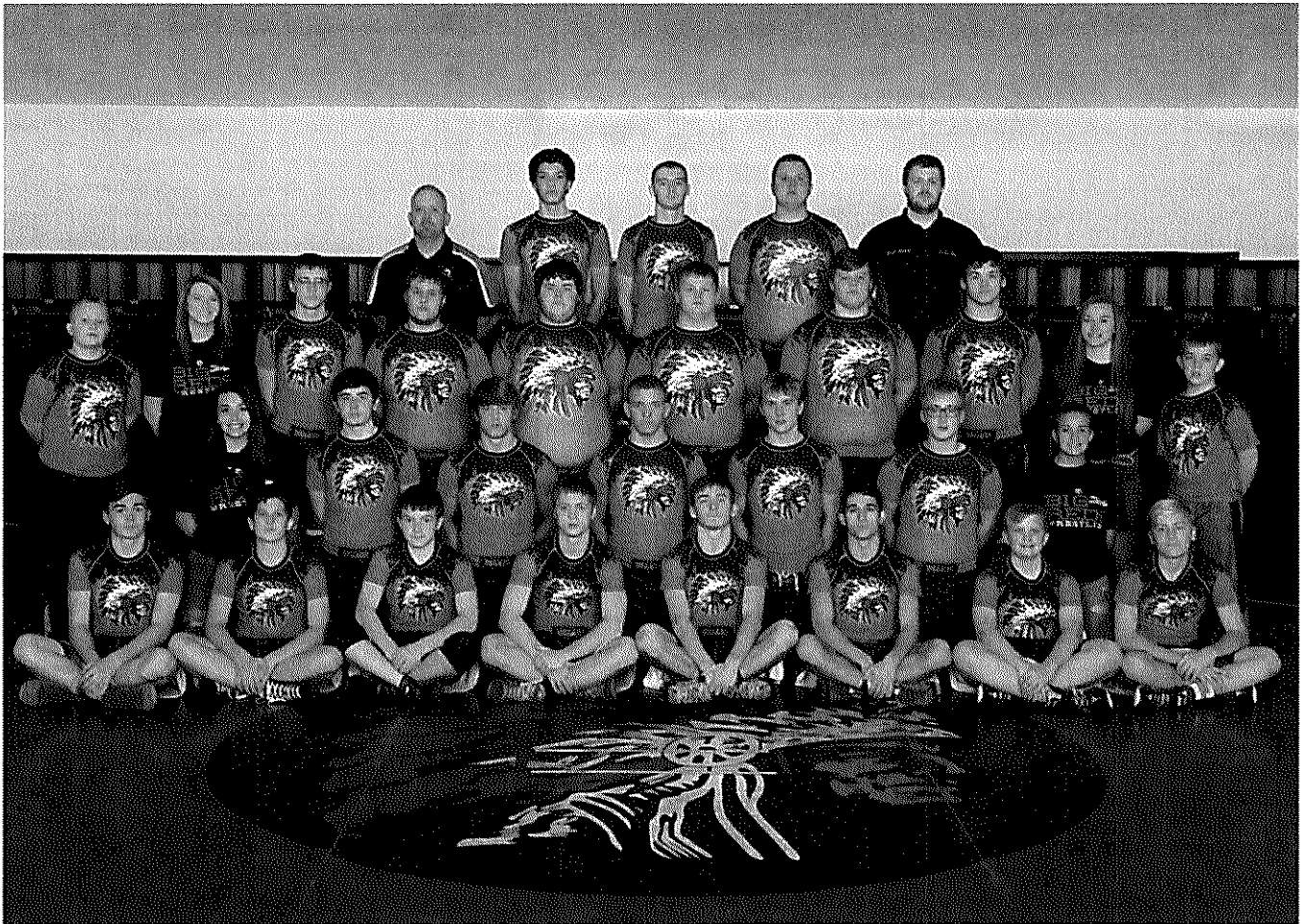
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2nd Row - H. LaMotte, T. Klempa, T. Bell, H. Baker, V. Patrone, A. Bell

3rd Row - C. LaMotte, N.Beall, B.Bererich, K. Rines, D. Garloch, Z. Kolenich, J. Hoephofer, C. LaRoche, K. Kosky, A. Wiggin

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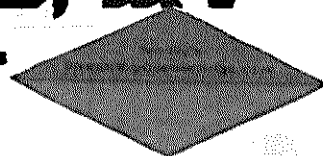
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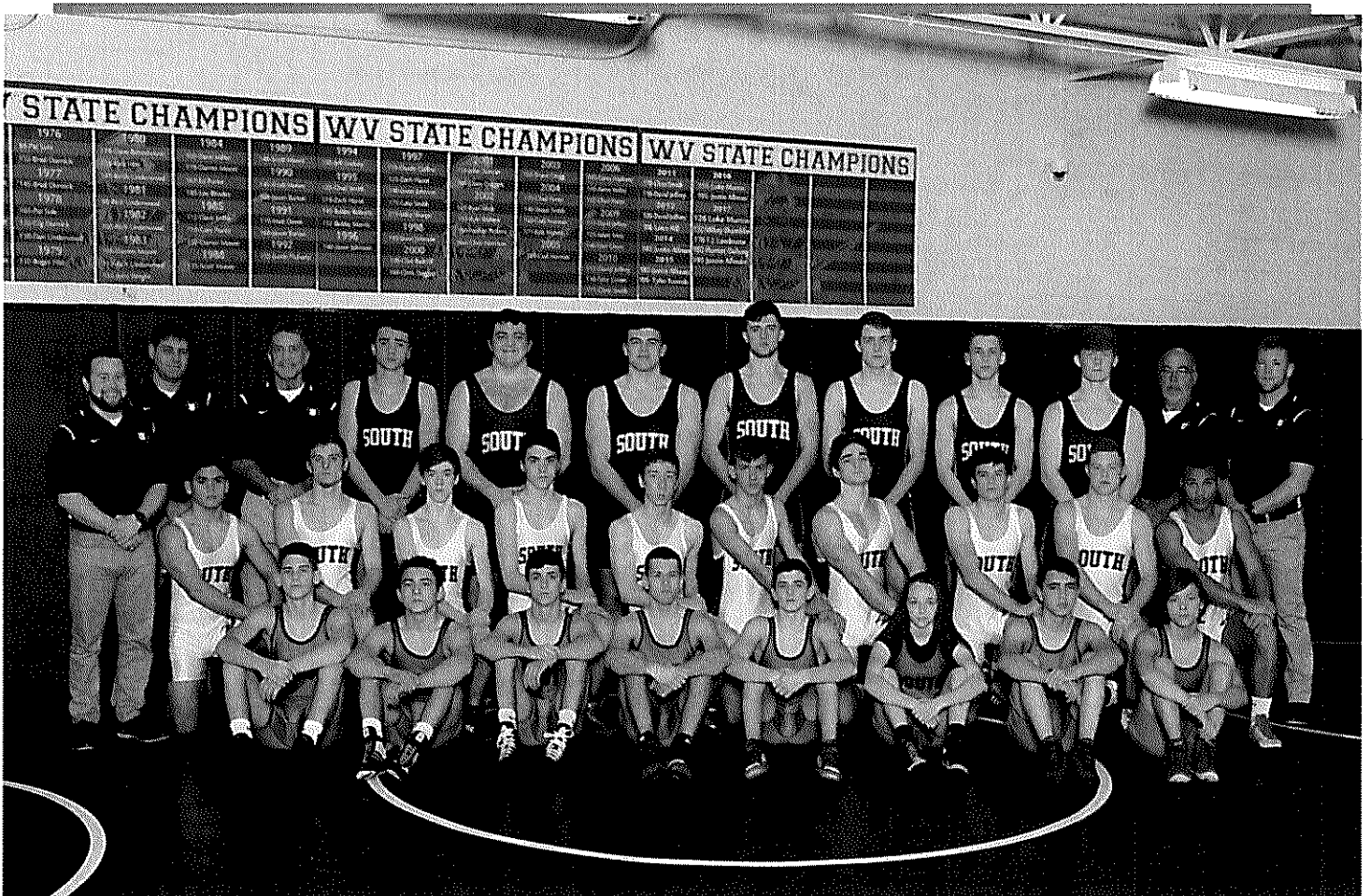
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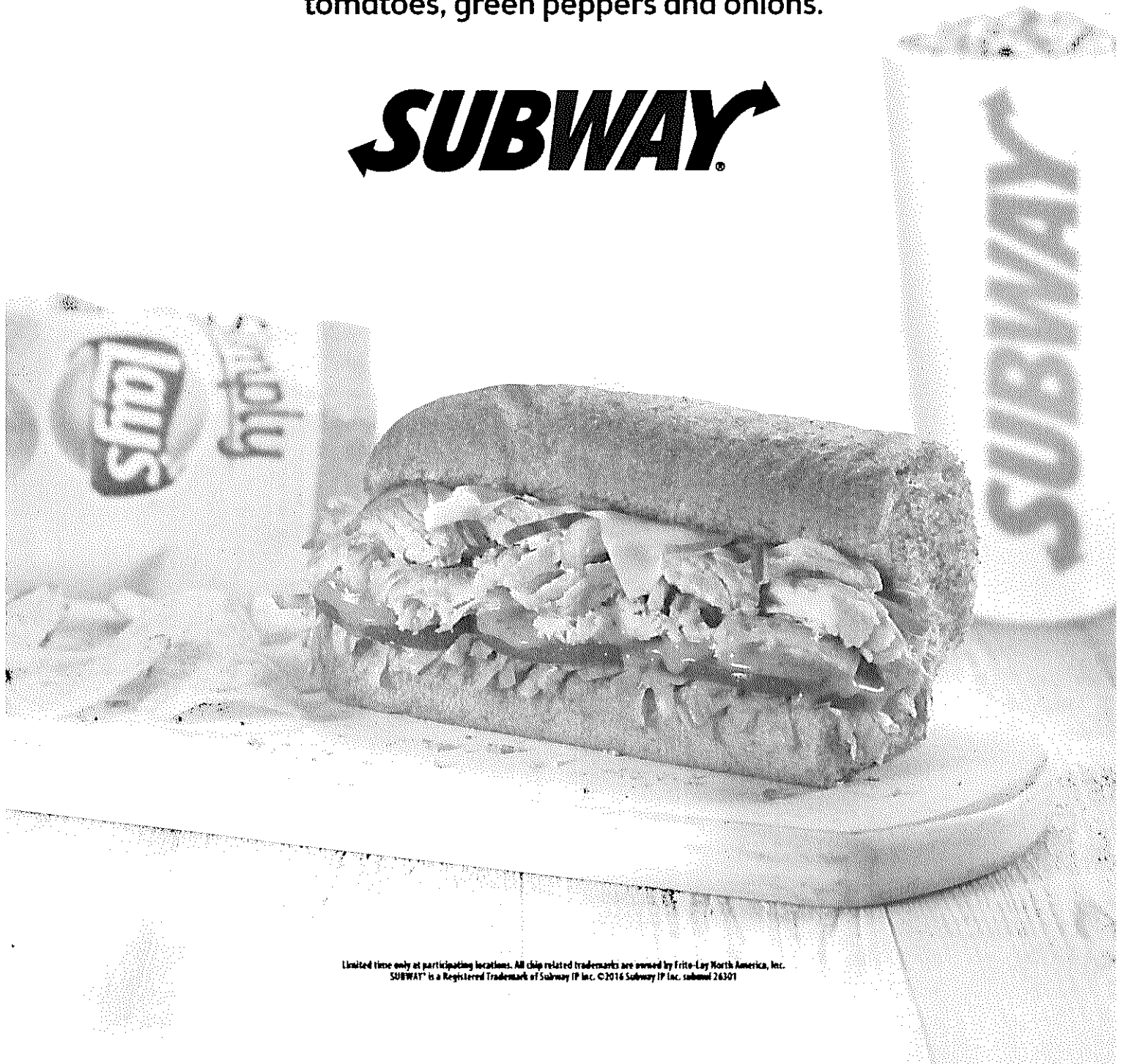
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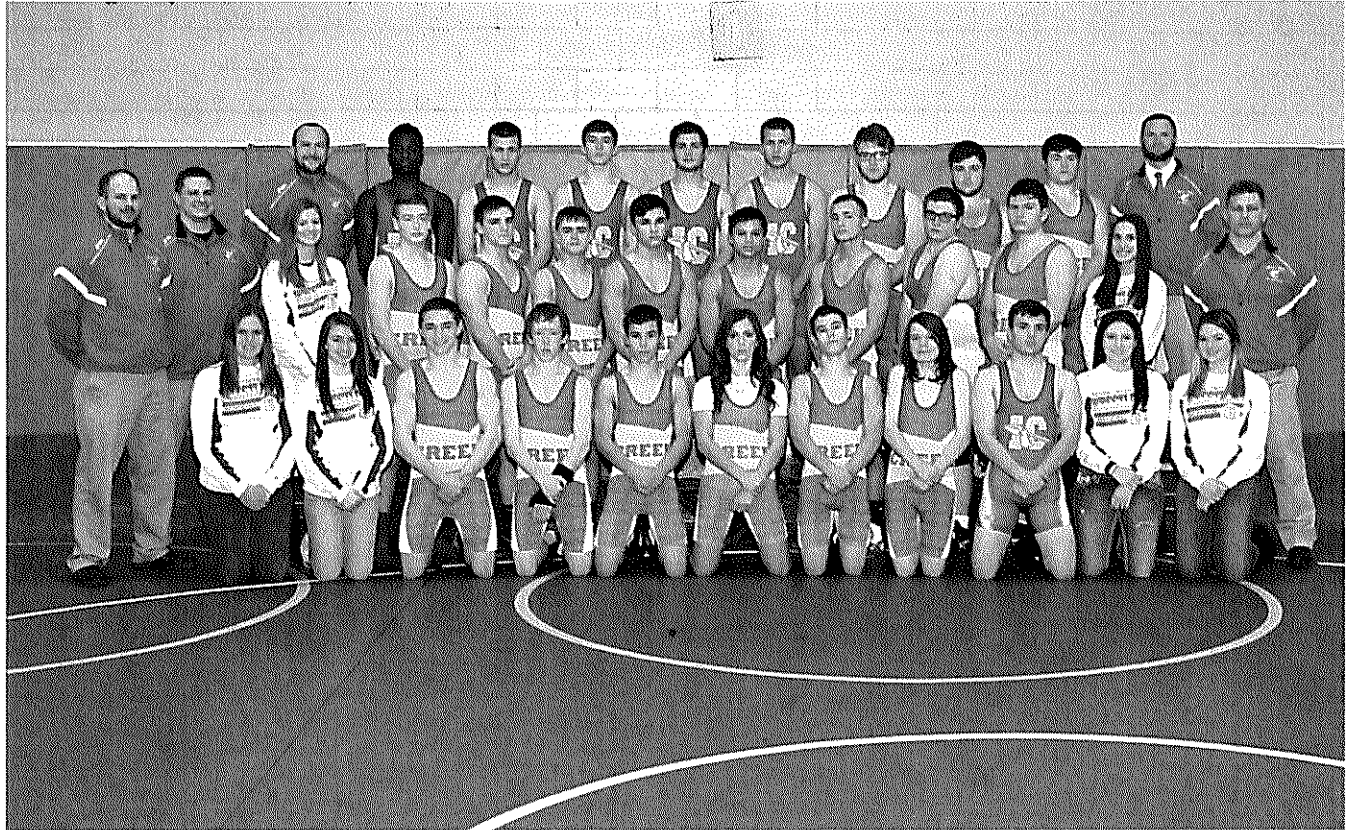
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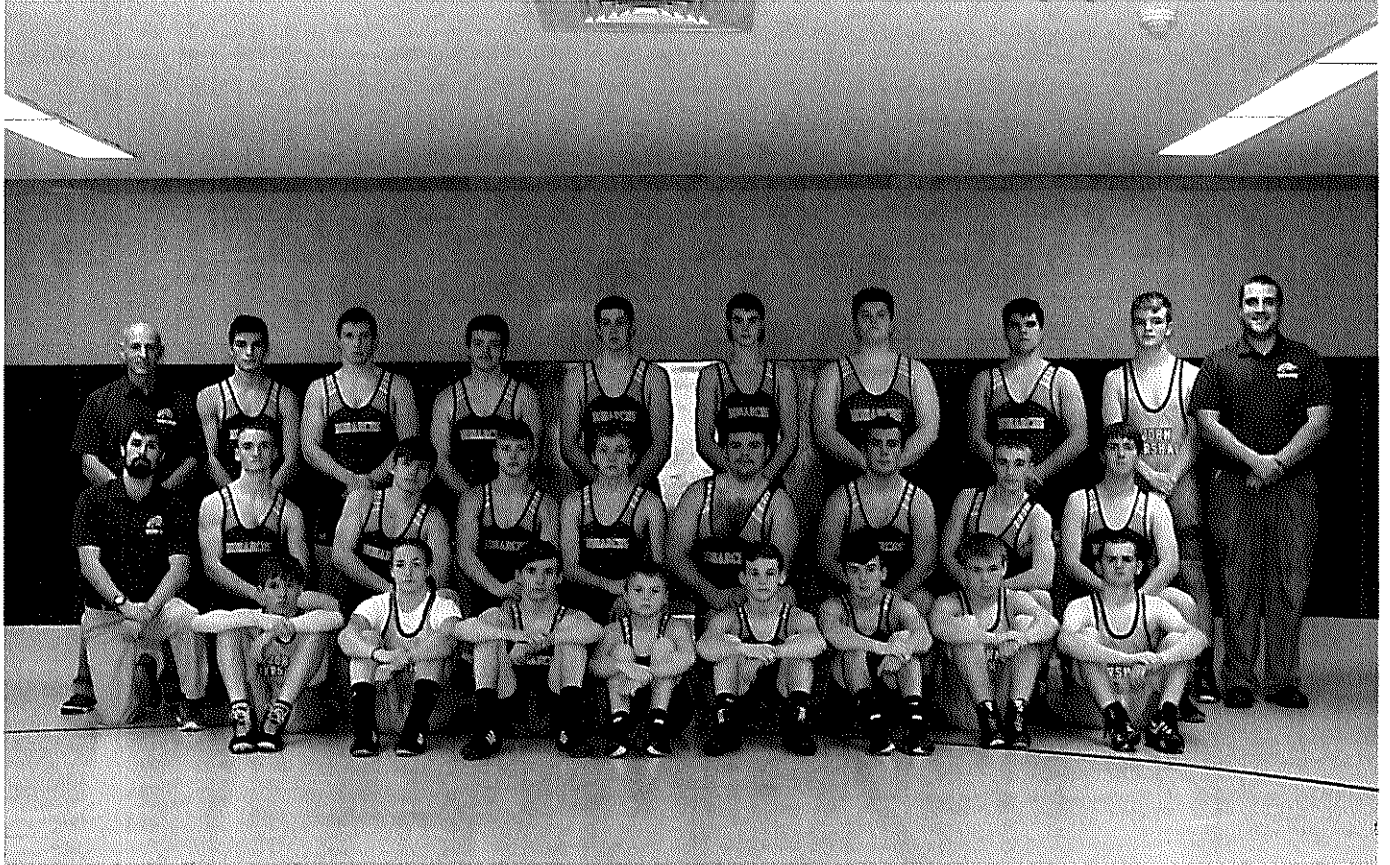
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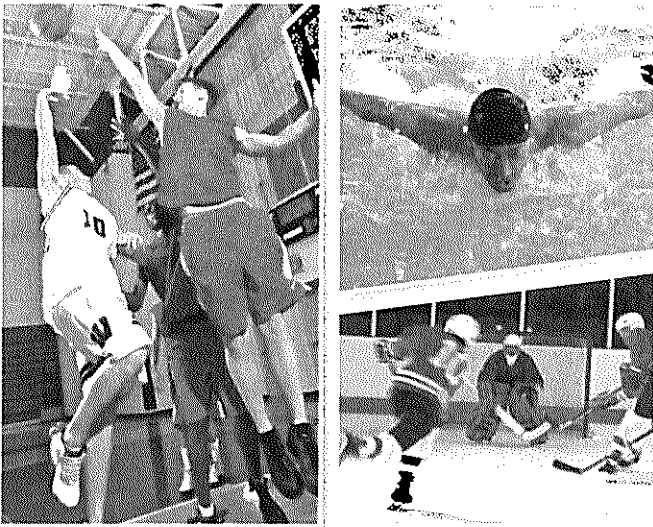
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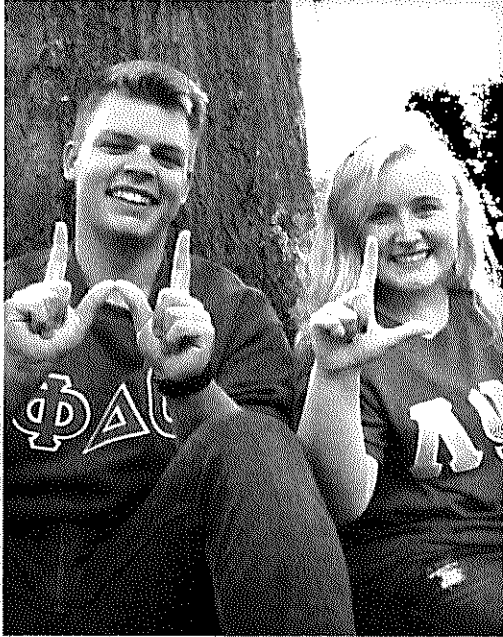


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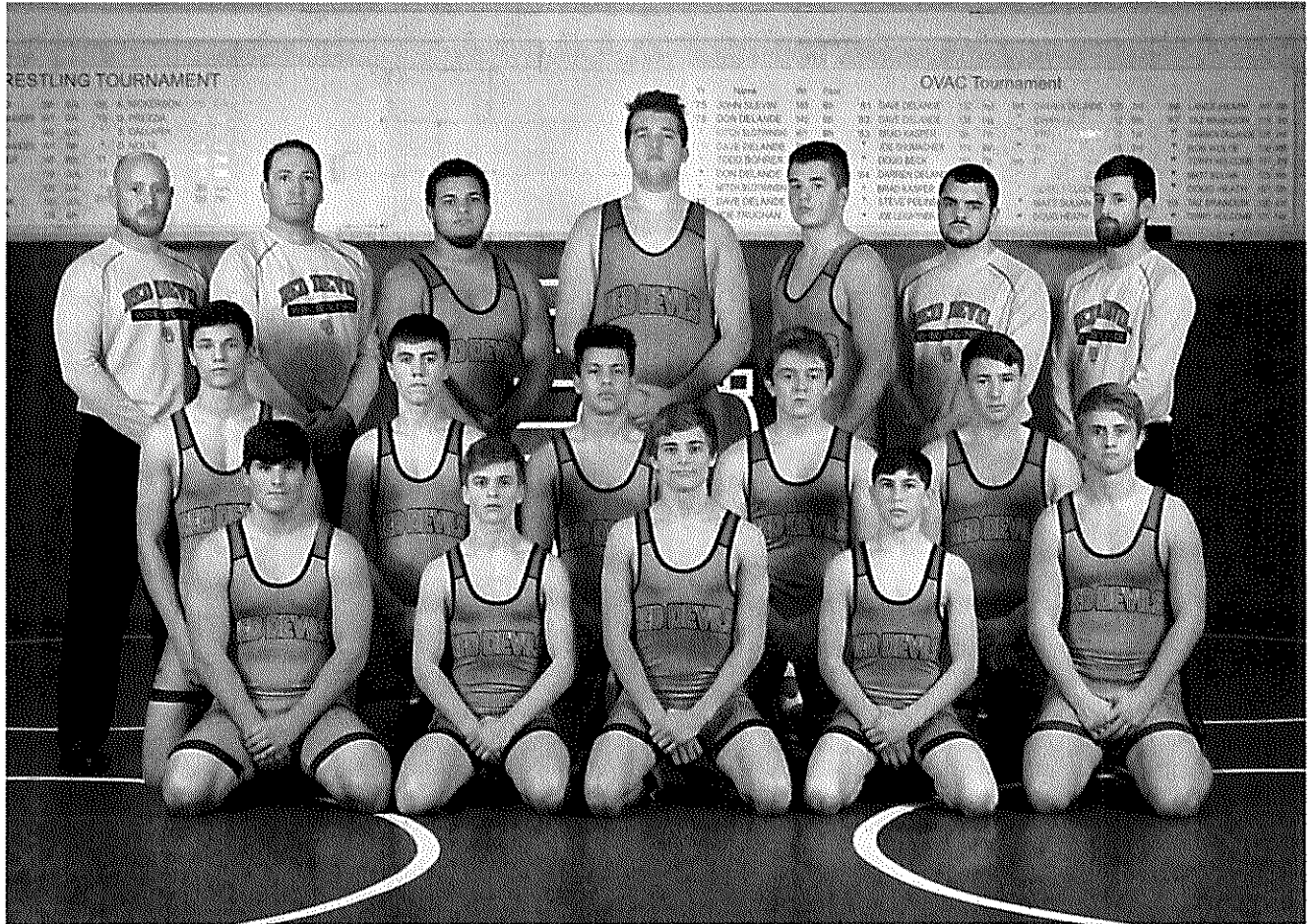
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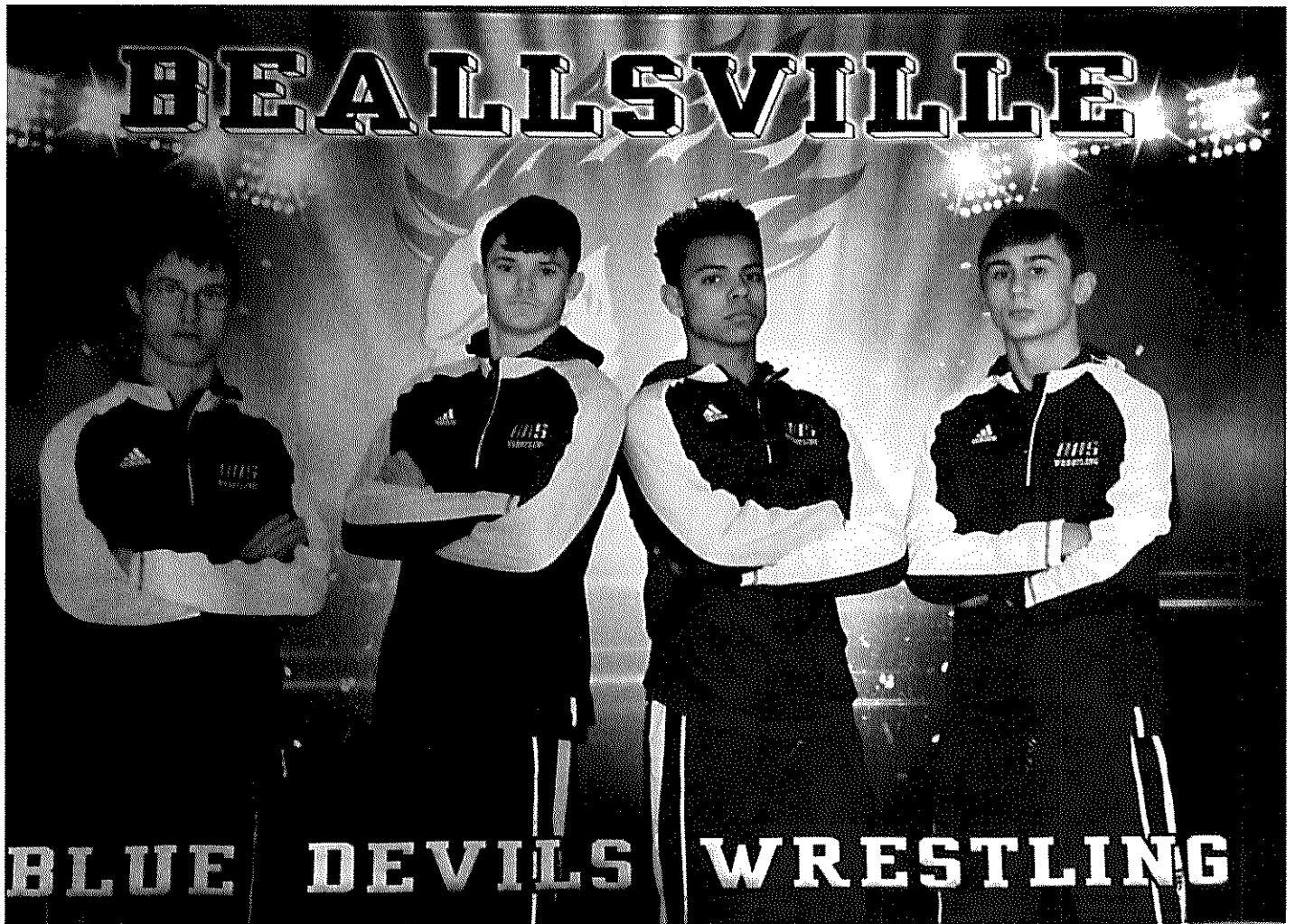


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1999	JOSE SMITH	CAMBRIDGE	CLEVELAND STATE
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2008	CODY MILLER	OAK GLEN	WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY
2009	TROY ECKLEBERRY	OAK GLEN	UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE
2010	MAX NOGAY	MADONNA	WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY
2011	JESSE SCHIFFBAUER	UNIVERSITY HIGH	WEST VIRGINIA UNVERISTY
2012	ZACHARY BROWN	OAK GLEN	WEST LIBERTY UNIVERSITY
2013	MATTHEW BEAMAN	BROOKE	WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY
2014	GARRETT WOTRING	MORGANTOWN	
2015	NICK TICE	OAK GLEN	WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY
2016	TARIQ WILSON	STEUBENVILLE	NORTH CAROLINA STATE
2017	ROBERT DAVID BOZEK	OAK GLEN	

MORGANTOWN WRESTLING MOHIGANS



1st Row - Indiah Blehr, Griffen Leombruno, Cam Lawrence, Michael Gale,
Kacey O'Connor

2nd Row - Michael Michael White, Ethan Shipp, Eric Shriver, Grady Willard,
Charles Hairston, Dylan Weimer

3rd Row - Cole Sinclair, Alex Shriver, Kamron Dawson, Tylor Yost, Josh Hite,
Beef McKnight, Andrew Dawson, Courtney Price (mat manager)

Coaches not included in photo: Joseph Brooks, Jim Zaveski, Nick
Schmidle, Brian Weimer.

Mat Manager not included in photo: Jessie Walker

JAMES H. MORRIS

OVAC WRESTLING SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD AND SCHOLARSHIP

A memorial tribute to honor James "Dead-Eye" Morris was established by the Morris family and sons, Jeff and Gregg (both former OVAC Wrestling Champions), following the death of their father in 1997.

In Recognition of his long and abiding love for wrestling and his working commitment to the OVAC, the Morris family has determined that such a perpetual tribute shall be in the form of a sportsmanship award and an annual scholarship.

The Sportsmanship Award is unique in that it is presented to "a non-coach supporter of the OVAC Wrestling to say thank you for your support through the years". The recipient of this award will be presented a \$1,000 scholarship at the OVAC Annual Awards Banquet.

The recipient will be chosen by the committee of wrestling enthusiasts and be determined by established qualifying criteria. Said criteria shall place great emphasis on sportsmanship and a favorable evaluation of academic and wrestling accomplishments.

A plaque, allowing for the listing of successive recipients 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 what this tournament is all about.

From the OVAC Family to the Morris Family, "In sharing your loss, we acknowledge and appreciate your generous contribution in a manner keeping with HIS compelling desire to give".

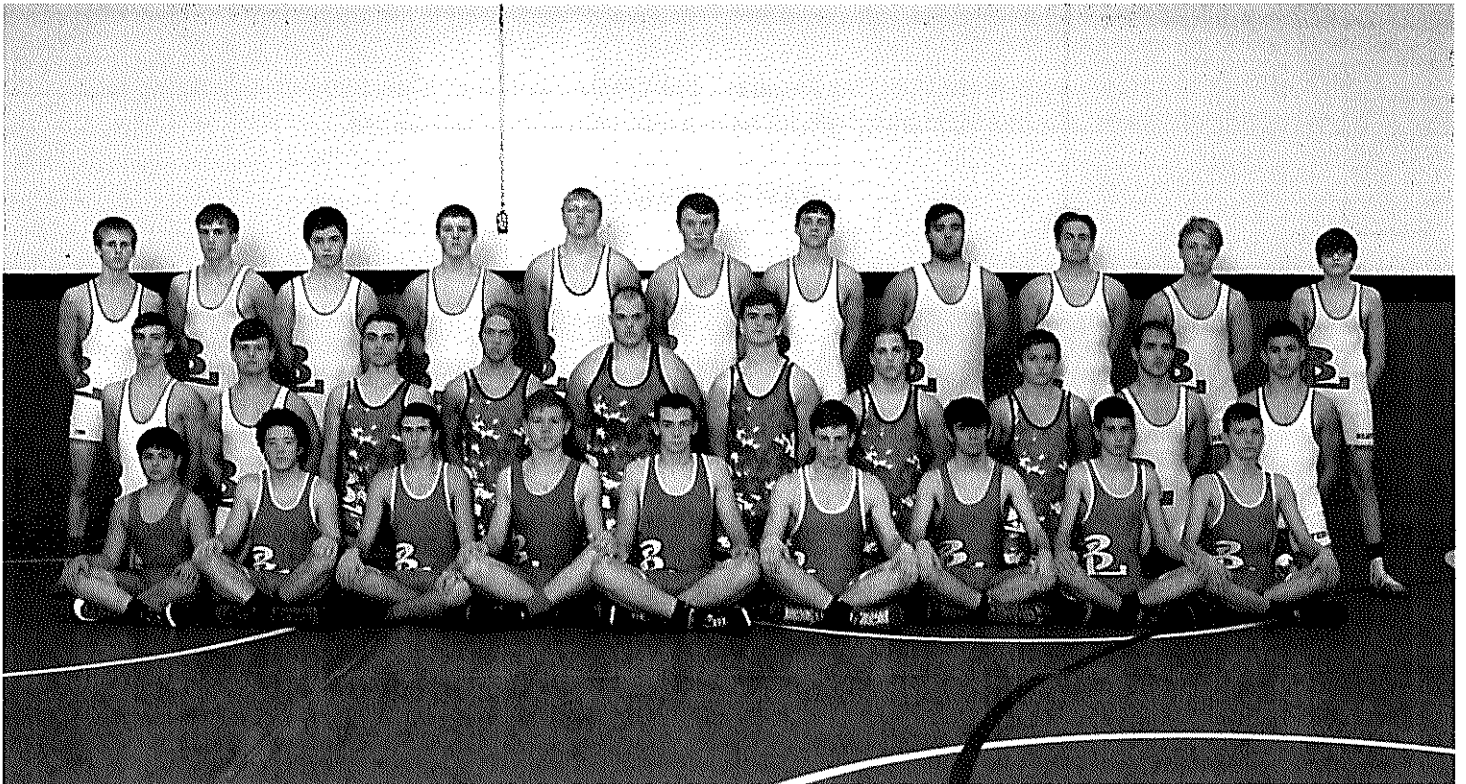
SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD WINNERS

1997 Tom and Ray McMool – Moundsville
1998 James and Bobbie Stephenson
1999 Dick Wolf – East Liverpool
2000 Randy Ellison – Oak Glen
2001 Pete Cuffaro – Wheeling
2002 Tom & Linda Myers – Wheeling
2003 "Babe" Schmitt, Jr. Wheeling
2004 Steve Shaffer – Wheeling Park
2005 No Recipient
2006 Ann Morris & Evelyn Kovalick

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

1997 Paul Grinch – Shadyside
1998 Garrett O'Neal – Cameron
1999 Lucas Sedgmer – Cadiz
2000 Scott Roth – Martins Ferry
2001 Phillip Bellville – Oak Glen
2002 Mike Fassouletos – John Marshall
2003 Tony Maylee – Indian Creek
2004 Brandon Shaw – Brooke
2005 Logan Hartle – John Marshall
2006 Justin Seebach – Caldwell
2007 Stephen Jewell – Wheeling Park
2008 Taylor Potts – John Marshall
2009 Dirk Bauer – Wheeling Park
2010 Jesse Green – Parkersburg South
2011 Benjamin Joshua Bartrug – River High
2012 Tyler Brown – Oak Glen
2013 Daniel Colby – Wheeling Park
2014 Matthew Dixon - Parkersburg
2015 Colten Nangle – Parkersburg South
2016 Paden McGaughey – Magnolia
2017 Nicholas Valachovic, University

BEAVER LOCAL WRESTLING BEAVERS



1st Row - Connor Brant, Blake Bowyer, Mat Ward, Dakota Warrick, Austin Ferguson, Christian Lerussi, Garrett Morris, Nathan Cox, and John Woodburn

2nd Row - Devon Salsberry, Jared Wright, Noah Smith, Josh Speelman, Zach Thomas, Chad Mays, Chris Yanni, Damien emmert, Beau Smith, and Skyler Lasure

3rd Row - Cole McComas, Austin Brooks, Alex Solansky, Andrew Solansky, Daniel Wirth, Sam Lowe, Logan Krulik, Alec Post, Nick Wukotich, Austin Nolder, and Colton Dugan

OVAC WRESTLING COACHES AWARD

Larry Deaton

Official of the Year Award

For his contribution to wrestling as an official, president of and interpreter for the Ohio Valley Wrestling Officials Association, the membership, in tribute to his commitment, dedication and leadership, expressed that desire by having the "Official of the Year Award" dedicated in his honor.

His officiating career spans more than five decades. Even more significant is his patience in training and mentoring of scores of referees, many of whom have been recipients of this award.

PAST RECIPIENTS

1996	RAY MARLING	2015	PAUL COFFLAND
1997	SHAWN CROSIER	2016	ED "BUZZ" EVANS
1998	RAY MARLING	2017	BABE SIDON
1999	STEVE KISH		
2000	SHAWN CROSIER		
2001	JIM CROSIER		
2002	MERLE TOURNAY		
2003	DR. BILL WELKER		
2004	RICK CROSIER		
2005	RAY MARLING		
2006	JACK REGIS		
2007	RAY JEFFRIES		
2008	PAUL COFFLAND		
2009	RICHIE HEAVILIN		
2010	ED "BUZZ" EVANS		
2011	RICK CROSIER		
2012	JACK REGIS		
2013	LOU COFFLAN		
2014	SHANE KILDOW		

WHEELING PARK WRESTLING PATRIOTS

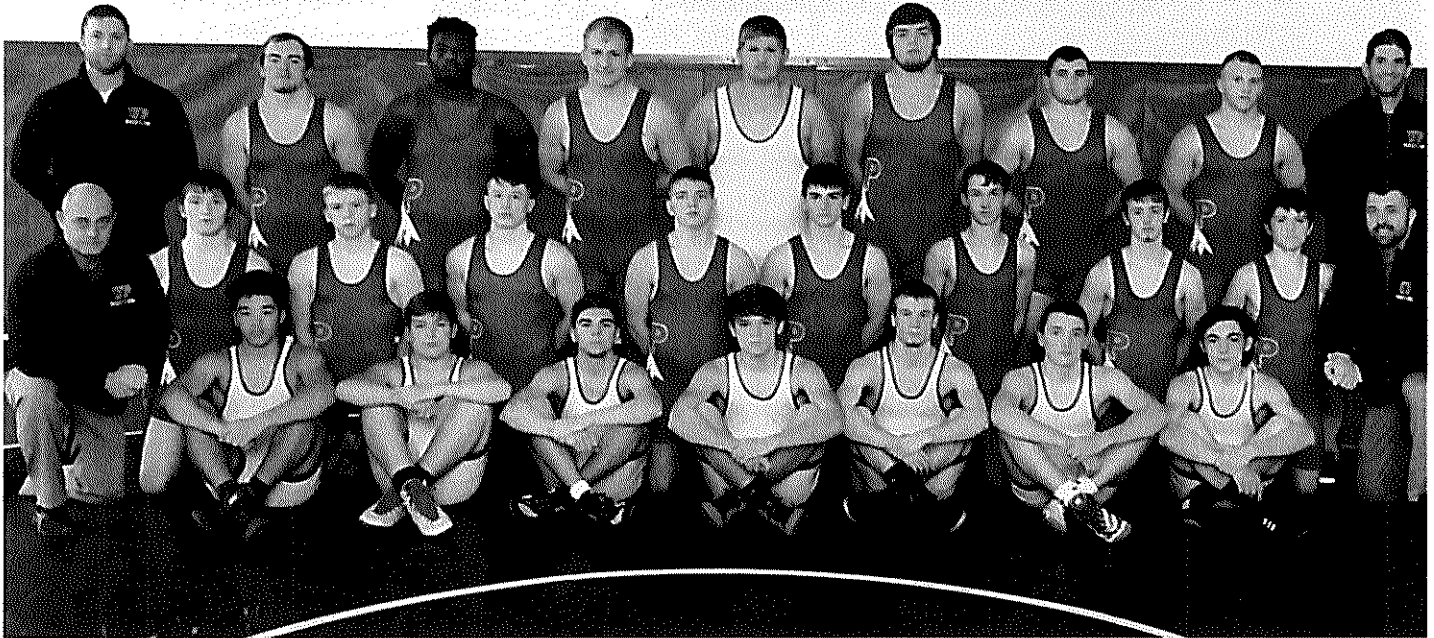
VAC CHAMPIONS

100 lbs	John Nash	110 lbs	John Nash
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240 lbs	John Nash	260 lbs	John Nash
260 lbs	John Nash	280 lbs	John Nash
280 lbs	John Nash	300 lbs	John Nash

OVAC TEAM CHAMPIONS

1978	Eric Carter
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2024	Eric Carter
2025	Eric Carter

OVAC CHAMPIONS



1st Row - Steven Mitchell, Charlie Tamburin, Dakota Scott, Nigel Walsh, Jeremy Ewert, Billy Gooch, Keagan Wood.

2nd Row - Coach Todd Shelek, Jeremiah Timberlake, Canon Welker, Andrew Shelek, Daniel Skelton, William Birch, Tate Shaffer, Maison Richardson, Isaak Murphy, Coach Justin Goneau

3rd Row - Head Coach Clay Tucker, John Nash, Calvin McGaha, Austin Loew, Trenton Clutter, Dylan Wood, Kaleb Simpkins, Axel Genhardt, Coach Jack Doyle

MATTHEW SALSBERY SCHOLARSHIP

1980-1999

Within minutes after leaving for home from Ohio Northern University, where they had all just undergone freshman orientation, Matt Salsberry, his girlfriend, Emily Bickerton, and his best friend, Dan Aldrich, fell victim to tragedy. An inattentive and irresponsible teenage driver, in a moment of senseless exhilaration took the lives of all three and brought emotional devastation to the families, school and community of a magnitude which can only be described as traumatizing and from which we are still laboring to recover.

Matt Salsberry had a lust for life that dictated success. The commitment and enthusiasm which he brought to the wrestling mat, the playing field, the stage and classroom, motivated and inspired teammates, classmates and fans. He was a humble winner and a gracious loser, who gained the respect of all who came to know him.

If any single incident defined his commitment and enthusiasm for whatever the project might be, surely it had to be his humorous show stealing portrayal of "Earthquake" McGoon in the school musical "Lil Abner".

Matt was a two-time OVAC champion and winner of the "Mr. Hercules Award" in '99, by pinning his way to the 215# championship in a cumulative time of less than a single match. He was 4th in the State of Ohio while compiling 124 wins. He was All-State in football for three years and started in 32 consecutive games. He earned 11 varsity letters, was River Valley League discus champion, served as Junior Class President and Senior Class Vice President, while maintaining a 3.5 GPA as a member of National Honors Society.

"Friends in Memory of Matts Salsberry," having a desire to perpetuate the positive impact of his young life, have deemed it a fitting and proper tribute to establish a \$1,000 scholarship to be annually awarded to an OVAC wrestler who earned a varsity letter in one additional sport while likewise maintaining a 3.5 GPA.

RECIPIENTS

2003	JOHN PETROZZI	BUCKEYE LOCAL
2004	LUCAS BURKHARDT	SHADYSIDE
2005	ANTHONY DUFFIELD	EAST LIVERPOOL
2006	CHRISTOPHER CROCK	SHENANADOAH
2007	T.J. OSBON	OAK GLEN
2008	JIMMY REISZ	BEALLSVILLE
2009	ANGELO IACHINI	STEUBENVILLE
2010	PAUL RICHARD BLAKE II	CAMERON
2011	STEPHEN POULTON	CALDWELL
2012	CLAYTON CROSIER	BARNESVILLE EXEMPTED VILLAGE
2013	SAWYER LEPPLA	CAMBRIDGE
2014	KRISTOPHER BERRY	EAST LIVERPOOL

SOUTHERN LOCAL WRESTLING INDIANS



1st Row - Marcus Reed, Jaedon Madison, Trevor Wintermantel, Gage Dickey,
Robert Frank, Brady Aderhold.

2nd Row - Tommy Redman, Latrell Crute, Gavin Quigg, Devon Allan, Michael Mosti

3rd Row - Assistant Coach J.C.Hayes, Jacob Spencer, Kevin Denning, Hunter
Congrove, Hunter Morris, Head Coach Jim Malone

Lucas D. Sedgmer Memorial Scholarship

Lucas "Luke" Sedgmer, the son of Kay Keyser-Sedgmer and William Sedgmer, was a 1999 graduate of Cadiz High School, where he excelled in wrestling as a two-time OVAC Champion and a three-time 3rd place finisher in the Ohio State Division III Wrestling Tournament.

Luke was an avid outdoors man, possessed of a love and respect for all things living.

Tragically, he lost his life on Friday, May 9, 2003, in a head-on auto collision.

He had worked as a summer employee with the Harrison County Highway Department and served as an assistant wrestling coach at Wheeling Park High School.

He had finished school that very day and was to have graduated from West Liberty State College shortly thereafter. The fulfillment of his dream would have been to teach and coach wrestling.

He was a member of New Athens Volunteer Fire Department and attended the United Methodist Church in New Athens.

A committee was established to provide two scholarships to perpetuate and honor Luke's memory. One scholarship is presented to a graduate of Harrison Central High School and the other to an OVAC member school wrestler.

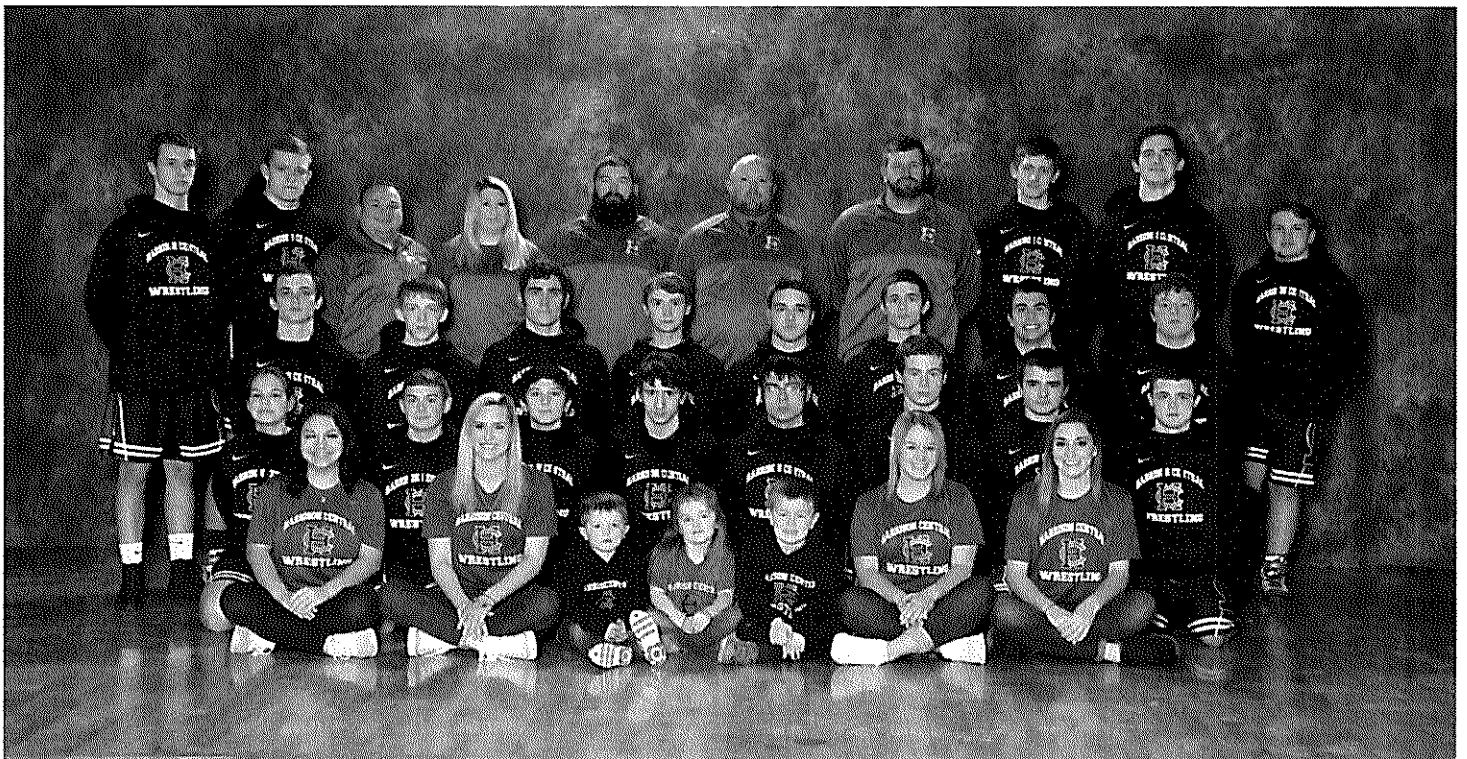
The criteria for selection as a recipient are the qualities exhibited by Luke during his brief, but dynamic existence. They are academic achievement, athletic accomplishments and character.

Luke was greatly admired, widely respected and dearly loved by all who came to know him. It is our fond hope that by honoring him in this fashion, we will not only be perpetuating his memory, but moreover, aiding others in pursuit of their dreams.

RECIPIENTS

2005 CHAS YODER	MARTINS FERRY
2006 JOHN HORN	SHENANDOAH
2007 ERIC DIAGOSTA	EAST LIVERPOOL
2008 BRICE RUSH	WHEELING PARK
2009 DANNY DOYLE	WHEELING PARK
2010 RYLAN PYCIAK	BUCKEYE LOCAL
2011 DOMINIC PAUL PREZZIA	ST. CLAIRSVILLE
2012 JEREMY BORDER	CALDWELL EXEMPTED VILLAGE
2013 IAN BAKER	SHADYSIDE
2014 BLAINE CLINE	EDISON
2015 DYLAN TAYLOR	WHEELING PARK
2016 MATT MCFARLAND	UNION LOCAL

HARRISON WRESTLING CENTRAL HUSKIES



1st Row - Destiny Ash, Alexis Jenkins, Brasen Bryant, Aubrey Bryant, Cael Bryant, Becca Boyer, Shaniel Nameth

2nd Row - Jessica Weires, Andy Drapp, Dawson Vich, Jesse McLeod, Nic Taggart, Blaine Milliken, Bryce Wade, Jacob Delucas

3rd Row - Jacob Howard, Zane Everhart, Blayne Erwin, Owen Ott, Coleman Dodds, Austin Howard, Tucker Coultrap, Josh Croft

4th Row - Zach Marbais, Cody Gamble, Coach Richard McKinney, Mat Stat Advisor Caitlyn Rocchi, Coach Adam Cumings, Head Coach Bill Bryant, Coach Joe Thomas, Hayden Wallace, Eric Perry, Luke McKinney

DAVID BIERKORTTE AWARD

David Bierkortte after having been crowned the 165# Champion at the 1970 OVAC Wrestling Tournament and compiling an undefeated record, was fatally injured in an auto accident during his junior year.

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

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

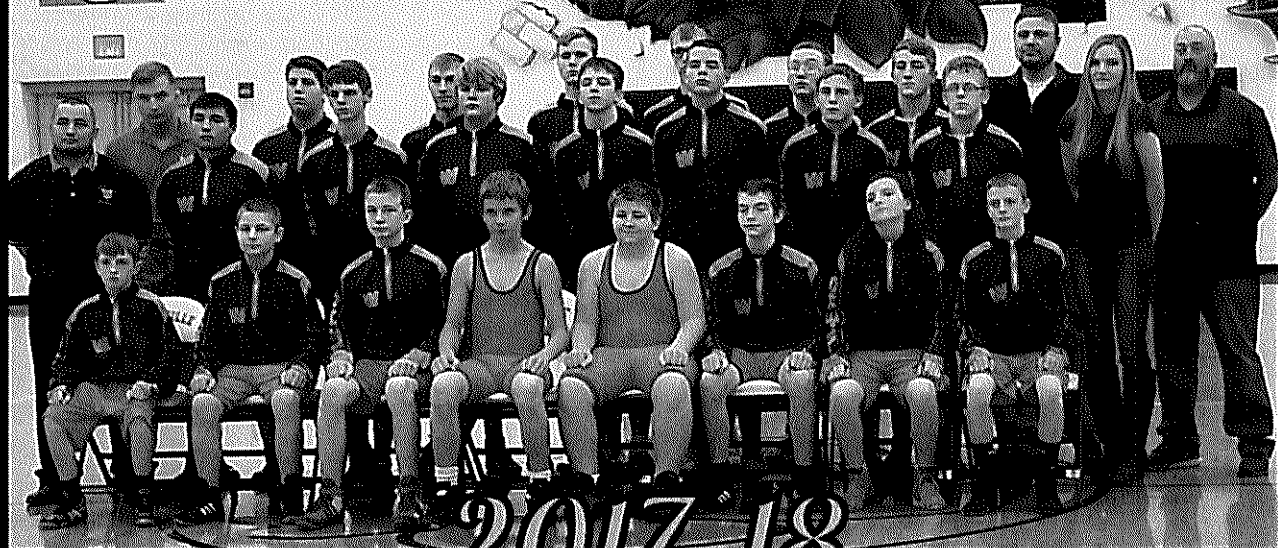
DAVID BIERKOTTE AWARD WINNERS

1971	DON BLUM	MARTINS FERRY	2000	SCOTT ROTH	MARTINS FERRY
1972	ART JONES	BELLAIRE	2001	COLE BOWERSOCK	BEAVER LOCAL
1973	DON CLAUGUS	BARNESVILLE	2002	DEREK GEORGE	JOHN MARSHALL
1974	SHELDON GRACE	WEIRTON	2003	DAVID BERTILINO	BUCKEYE LOCAL
1975	MIKE KOVALICK	BELLAIRE	2004	ADAM HOPPEL	BEAVERLOCAL 4X
1976	RANDY DAVIS	CADIZ	2005	CLAY TUCKER	MARTINS FERRY 4X
1977	ED COVEY	BRIDGEPORT	2006	ZACK SCHULLER	ST. CAIRSVILLE
1978	RICH DAVIS	JEFFERSON DAVIS	2007	JAMES MYERS	INDIAN CREEK
1979	CARL STANLEY	WHEELING PARK	2008	JIMMY REISZ	BEALLSVILLE
1980	RANDY PRYOR	WEIRTON	2009	DIRK BAUER	WHEELING PARK
1981	TRENT IACHINI	STEUBENVILLE	2010	DYLAN ICE	BEAVER LOCAL
1982	MIKE TLUCHOWSKI	STEUBENVILLE	2011	KYLE BAUER	WHEELING PARK
1983	LARRY ISLEMAN	TORONTO	2012	DAVID JEFFERIES	PARKERSBURG
1984	HEATH BEARDMORE	CAMBRIDGE	2013	CODY AMOS	WHEELINGPARK
1985	TIM MOXLEY	BARNESVILLE	2014	JOHNNY DAVIS	WHEELING PARK
1986	SEAN MURRAY	OAK GLEN	2015	ALEX POTTS	EAST LIVERPOOL
1987	MARK MLYNEK	BELLAIRE	2016	TARIQ WILSON	STEUBENVILLE
1988	RICK BURLENSKI	BRIDGEPORT	2017	PEYTON HALL	OAK GLEN
1989	MARK EMMERLING	EAST LIVERPOOL 4X			
1990	BABE SIDON	MARTINS FERRY			
1991	DOUGLAS KNIGHT	STEUBENVILLE			
1992	R.C. ANDERSON	CAMERON			

WELLSVILLE WRESTLING TIGERS



Wellsville Wrestling



2017-18

GEORGE E. KOVALICK

APRIL 8, 1923 – APRIL 8, 1984
"FOUNDING FATHER OF OVAC WRESTLING"

Teacher exceptional...competitive coach...gracious mentor...visionary, endowed with boundless energy and enthusiasm.

His accomplishments are legendary...his influence unparalleled.

A man whose profound influence on coaches and athletes is a legacy which will continue to have an impact on generations yet to come.

Standing as tangible proof of all that he epitomized is his enshrinement in four separate and distinct Athletic Halls of Fame; Kent State University, West Liberty State College, Ohio Wrestling Coaches Association and Ohio High School Athletic Directors Association.

In 1980, a scholarship was established to honor Coach Kovalick by the OVAC Wrestling Coaches Association. It is presented annually to a college-bound scholar/wrestler.

During opening ceremonies of the 1985 OVAC Wrestling Tournament, a bronze plaque was unveiled and now hangs in the lobby of the WesBanco Arena, inscribed in fitting tribute it reads;

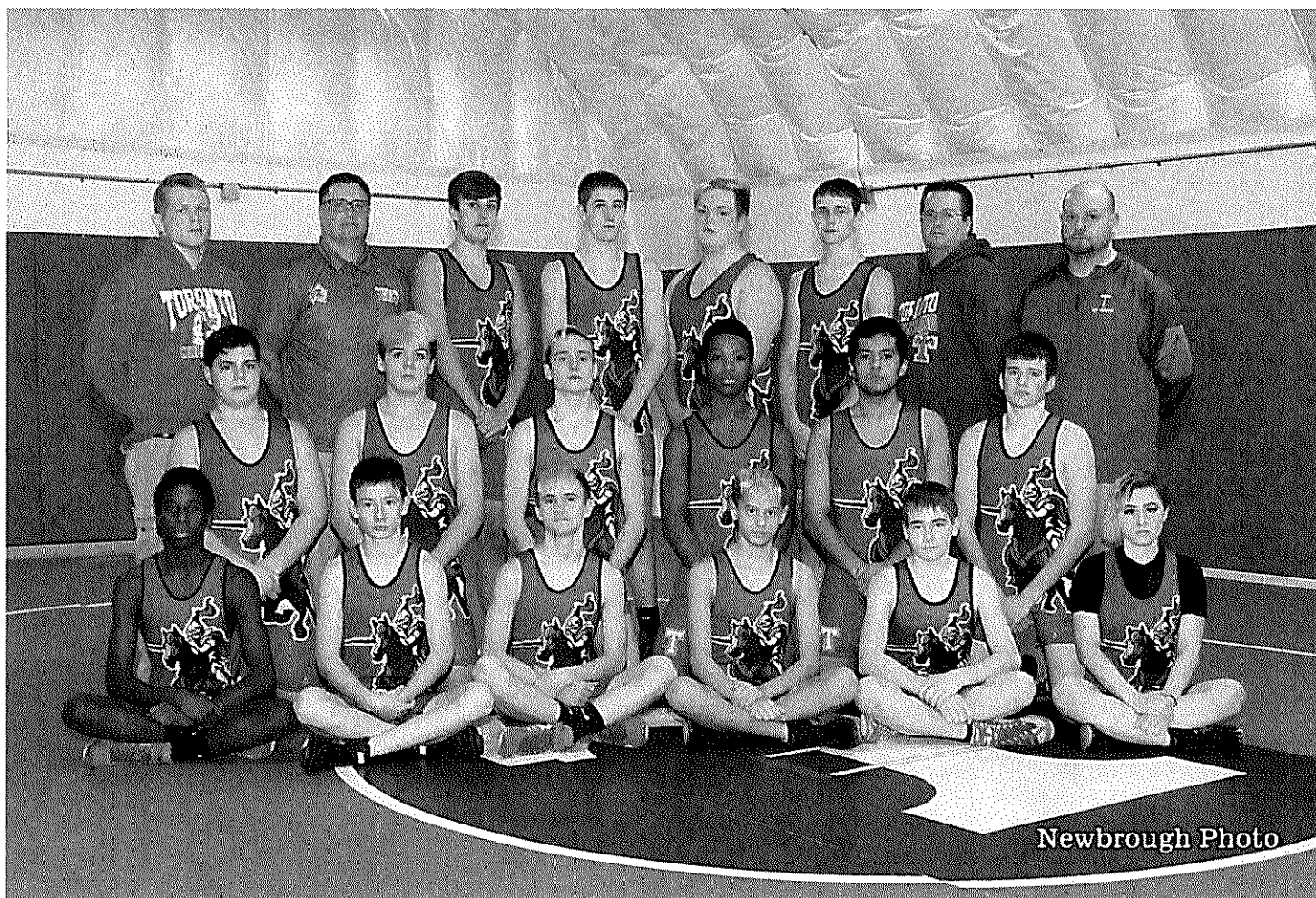
"The Ohio Valley Wrestling Coaches Association honors the memory of George Kovalick...a man marvelously competitive, meticulous in organization and endowed with an enormous capacity for work. He produced an unparalleled record, with more championship teams in more sports than any other man who ever coached in this valley. He was responsible for tremendous progress in the development and expansion of our wrestling program. Teacher, strategist and fundamentalist, he was an inspiration and a friend."

The George E. Kovalick Wrestling Scholarship

1980 Mike Patone, Magnolia	1991 Eric Potts, Cameron	2004 Casey Hughes, Cameron
1981 Bob Furr, Beallsville	1992 John Gibeaut, Union Local	2005 Clay Tucker, Martins Ferry
1982 Dave Delande, St. Clairsville	1993 David Norris, Cameron	2006 Bryan Rowland, Oak Glen
1983 Scott Mills, Steubenville	1994 Chad Burge, Cameron	2007 Daniel Felton, Brooke
1984 Tim Ward, Beallsville	1995 Brian Roskovich, Bridgeport	2008 Ethan Dray, Oak Glen
1985 Charlie Keenan, Steubenville	1996 Eric Anderson, St. John's	2009 Ryan Asbury, Oak Glen
1985 Darrin Heavilin, Cadiz	1997 Sean Doyle, Buckeye Local	2010 Joel Paolo, Oak Glen
1986 Mike Umbroscio, Bellaire	1998 Aaron Monseau, Wheeling Park	2011 Kyle Bauer, Wheeling Park
1987 Vince Monseau, Wheeling Park	1999 Craig Bruney, Martins Ferry	2012 David Jeffrey, Parkersburg South
1988 Dan Keenan, Steubenville	2000 Steve Ochap, Wheeling Park	2013 Nate Constante, University
1989 Reed Case, Cadiz	2001 Tyler Hughes, Cameron	2014 Joshua Cornell, Oak Glen
1990 Ed Neely, Weir	2002 Chris Taylor, John Marshall	2015 Ryan Lopez, University
		2016 Dakota Goff, Steubenville

2017 Riley Preston Nice, Magnolia

TORONTO WRESTLING RED KNIGHTS



OVAC WRESTLING COACHES ASSOCIATION - OVAC WRESTLERS OF THE YEAR

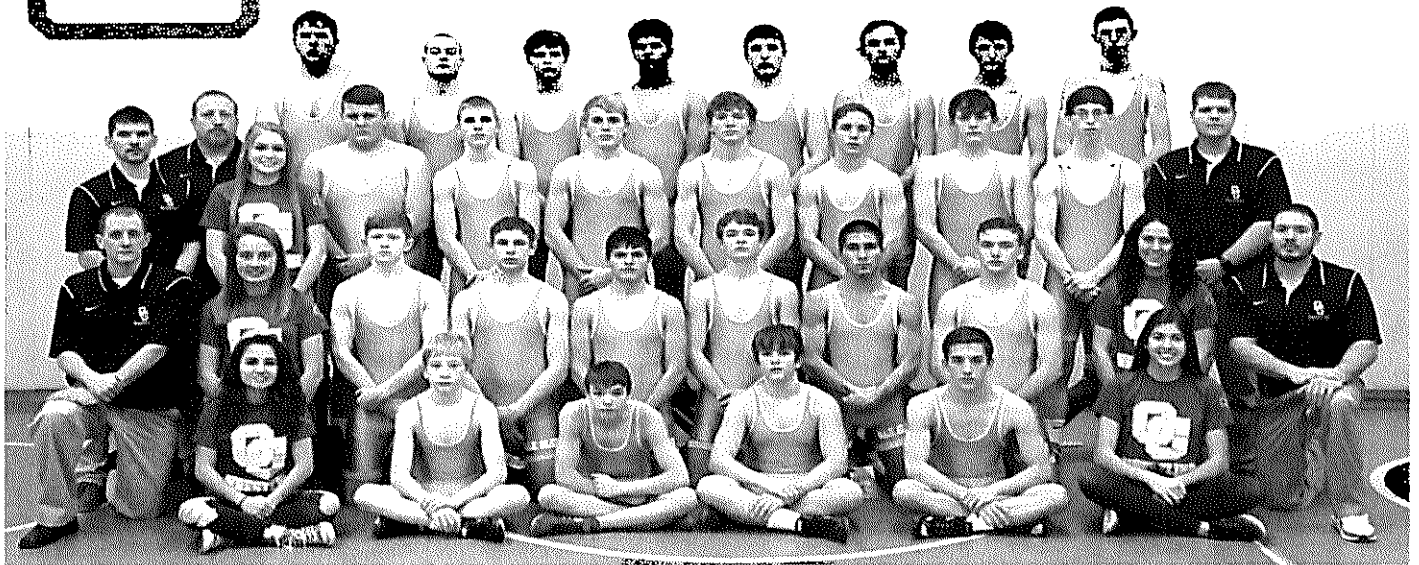
The OVAC Wrestling Coaches Association recognizes the Ohio and West Virginia Wrestlers of the Year at the end of every mat sport season. Dr. Bill Welker, who conceived and initiated the award in 1988, chairs a committee of five Ohio Valley wrestling enthusiasts that selects the honorees. The West Virginia representatives are Bill Hinegardener and Ron Mauck. The Ohio representatives are Dick Wolf and Dan Doyle. The recipients must be seniors and are chosen on the merits of personal wrestling accomplishments over their entire scholastic careers.

1988	JOHN CRAIN, OAK GLEN RICK BURLENSKI, BRIDGEPORT	2002	DERRICK SICKLES, OAK GLEN JOHN TIERNEY, MARTINS FERRY
1989	DAVE WOOD, CAMERON DUNYASHA YETTS, STEUBENVILLE	2003	PHIL BLISS, BROOKE DAVID BERTOLINO, BUCKEYE LOCAL
1990	ED NEELY, WEIRTON MADONNA BABE SIDON, MARTINS FERRY	2004	CASEY HUGHES, CAMERON KOEL DAVIA, UNION LOCAL
1991	ERIC POTTS, CAMERON SCOTT DEYARMON, BUCKEYE LOCAL	2005	DUSTIN RICHEY, JOHN MARSHALL CLAY TUCKER, MARTINS FERRY
1992	R.C. ANDERSON, CAMERON JOHN GILBEAUT, UNION LOCAL	2006	RHETT NORTHCRAFT, OAK GLEN WILLIE SAXTON, BUCKEYE LOCAL
1993	RYAN DUDAS, CAMERON KELLY SHIELDS, EDISON	2007	RONNELL GREEN, WHEELING PARK JAMES MYERS, INDIAN CREEK
1994	CHAD BURGE, CAMERON RTYAN SLACK, SHADYSIDE	2008	ZACH BASICH, WHEELING CENTRAL BRYAN SKOFF, BRIDGEPORT
1995	JASON TAYLOR, WHEELING PARK BRIAN ROSKOVICH, BRIDGEPORT	2009	DIRK BAUER, WHEELING PARK ROBBIE CHILSON, BELLAIRE
1996	JOSH GIOVENGO, BISHOP DONAHUE ERIC ANDERSON, BELLAIRE ST. JOHNS	2010	MAX NOGAY, WEIRTON MADONNA DYLAN ICE, BEAVER LOCAL
1997	DEWITT STANLEY, BROOKE SEAN DOYLE, BUCKEYE LOCAL	2011	KYLE BAUER, WHEELING PARK DOMINIC PREZZIA, ST CLAIRSVILLE
1998	CHAD PRATZ, LINSLY TRAVIS CLARK, UNION LOCAL	2012	DAVID JEFFREY, PARKERSBURG SOUTH JEREMY BORDER, CALDWELL
1999	ALEX MCCLUNG, OAK GLEN MATT SALSBERY, EAST LIVERPOOL	2013	LANCE HILL, PARKERSBURG SOUTH ALEX QUINN, SHADYSIDE
2000	STEVE OCHAP, WHEELING PARK SCOTT ORTH, MARTINS FERRY	2014	KAMERON RAYNER, CALDWELL JOHNNY DAVIS, WHEELING PARK
2001	ERIC NOEL, OAK GLEN COLE BOWERSOCK, BEAVER LOCAL	2015	SETH BLOOR, WELLSVILLE DALLAS BACIAK, WHEELING PARK
		2016	ISIAH MYERS, WHEELING PARK TARIQ WILSON, STEUBENVILLE
		2017	JUSTIN ALLMAN, PARKERSBURG
SOUTH			

OAK GLEN WRESTLING GOLDEN BEARS



wrestling



1st Row - Destiny Ash, Alexis Jenkins, Brasen Bryant, Aubrey Bryant, Cael Bryant, Becca Boyer, Shaniel Nameth

2nd Row - Assistant Coach Brandon Miller, Taylor Allison, Austin Virtue, Jonathan Creese, Logan Konchar, Ray Gavin, Kaden Lundy, Cameron Reed, Mackenzie Murray, and Assistant Coach Ian Whittington

3rd Row - Assistant Coach Jessie Mahan, Assistant Coach Keith Flanigan, Hanna Patterson, William Minnis, Peyton Hall, Wyatt Strum, Trey Wright, Chase Smith, Caiden Adams, Matthew Turkaly, and Head Coach Patrick McGillian

4th Row - Cole English, William Collins, Dylan Heinrich, Kyler O'Connor, Kyler Flanigan, Brennen Tice, Colin Stanley, and Shamus Gibson

2018 OVAC TOURNAMENT

WRESTLING OFFICIALS

PAUL COFFLAND - CADIZ, OHIO

LOU COFFLAND – CADIZ, OHIO

JIM COPNEY – CADIZ, OHIO

RICK CROSIER – STEUBENVILLE, OHIO

ED “BUZZ” EVANS - BEALLSVILLE, OHIO

RAY JEFFERIS – BARNESVILLE, OHIO

SHANE KILDOW – BELMONT, OHIO

JARED LEASURE – CALDWELL, OHIO

JACK REGIS – MARTINS FERRY, OHIO

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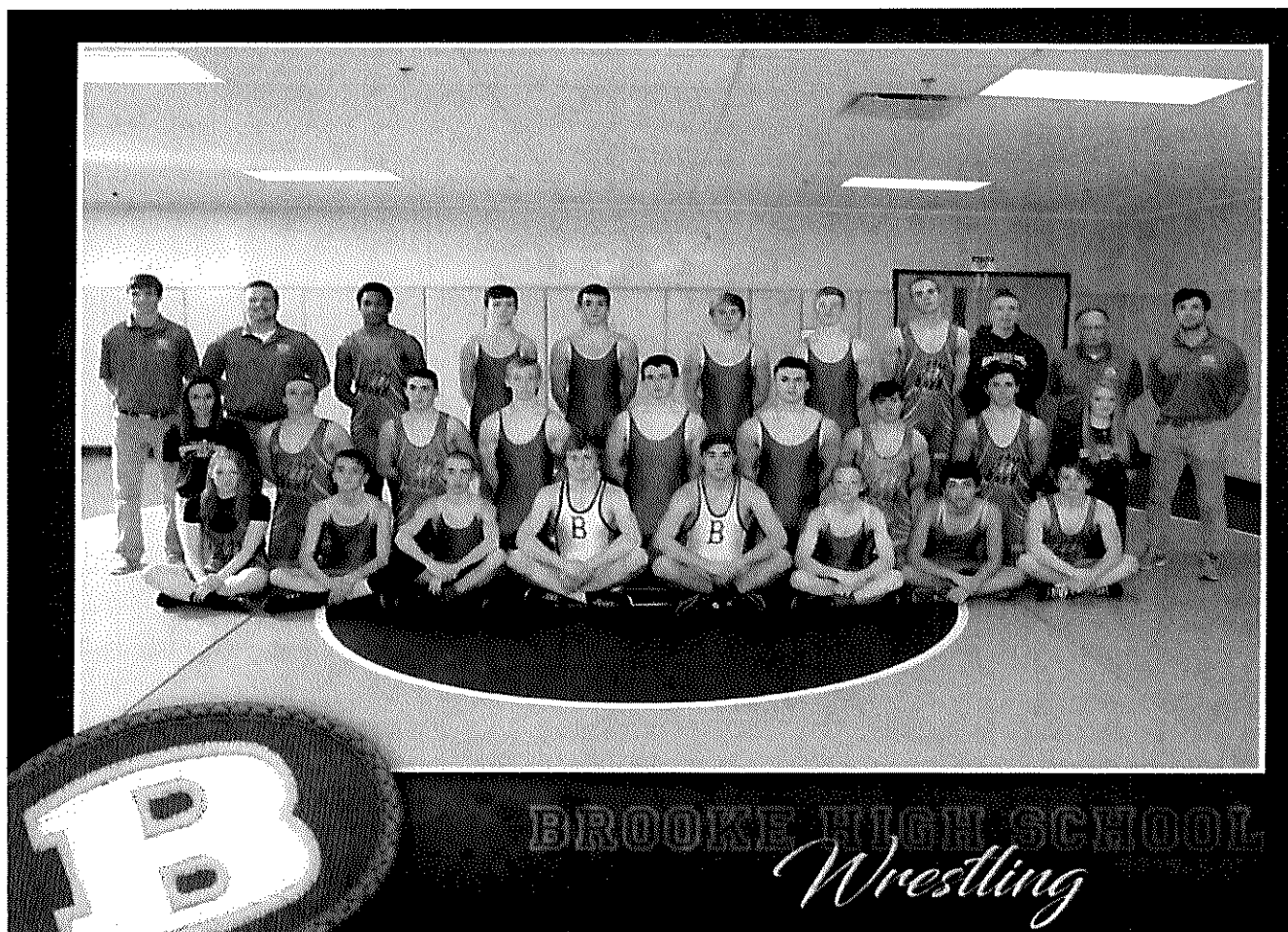
RAY ANTHONY – COLUMBIA STATION, OHIO

PUBLIC RELATIONS

STEVE KISH JR.

OVAC REUNION COMMITTEE

BROOKE WRESTLING BRUINS



1st Row - Rachael Clayton, Danny Yost, Braydon Demaria, Gage Barnhart, Dalton Yost, John George, Andres Ramos, David Music

2nd Row - Sydney DeFranco, Logan Williams, Jacob Smith, Noah Wilson, Billy DeWall, Kenton Conley, Cameron Lancaster, Seth Cobourn, Jenna Helms

3rd Row - Coach Matt Beaman, Coach Doug Sizemore, Erin Scipio, Dylan Reiordan, Max Camilletti, Arch Newman, C.J. Helms, Jessie Law, Austin Williams, Coach Pete Bolock, Coach Danny Doyle

NATIONAL WRESTLING HALL OF FAME WEST VIRGINIA CHAPTER

OVAC WRESTLING LUMINARIES

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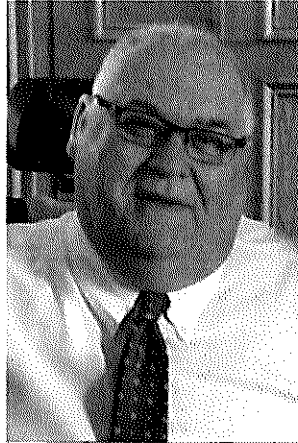
THE NATIONAL WRESTLING HALL OF FAME FOR

"LIFETIME SERVICE TO WRESTLING"

CLASS OF 2003	DR VINCE MONSEAU MR MAT 1983	CLASS OF 2011	LARRY CHAMBERS MR. MAT 1996
CLASS OF 2004	BILL HINEGARDNER MR. MAT 1984	CLASS OF 2012	DONALD BAUER
CLASS OF 2005	ED DUGAS MR. MAT 2003	CLASS OF 2013	NOLAN VAN GILDER MR. MAT 2006
CLASS OF 2006	RON MAUCK MR. MAT 1986		FRANK FERGUSON "MEDAL OF COURAGE"
	EMIL NARDONE "MEDAL OF COURAGE"		MIKE CARUSO "OUTSTANDING WEST VIRGINIAN"
CLASS OF 2007	GEORGE KOVALICK MR. MAT 1976	CLASS OF 2015	BARRY GASHEL STEVE SCHAFER
	JIM POTTS MR. MAT 2008	CLASS OF 2016	DAN DOYLE DICK EDGE MR MAT 1979
CLASS OF 2008	DR BILL WELKER MR MAT 1991	CLASS OF 2017	BILL DONOHEW "LIFETIME SERVICE TO WRESTLING"
	ED WEST		
CLASS OF 2009	BILL VAN HORNE MR MAT 1977		PETE CUFFARO "MEDAL OF COURAGE"
CLASS OF 2010	EDWARD EVANS MR MAT 2000		

PETE CUFFARO

“MEDAL OF COURAGE”



In high school, Pete Cuffaro was involved with promoting wrestling at Linsly Military Institute, (keeping score, etc.) as a student there. Cuffaro has been instrumental in supporting and promoting our nearly 50-team OVAC High School Wrestling Championships.

For over 25 years, Mr. Cuffaro has served as a volunteer Clock Operator and Official Score Keeper at the OVAC Wrestling Championships, as well as various other invitational wrestling tournaments in the upper Ohio Valley.

Over the years, Pete Cuffaro has authored numerous wrestling articles in the Wheeling (WV) News-Register's prestigious, award-winning *Mat Talk* Column. For decades, Mr. Cuffaro has been the featured speaker at various high-school wrestling banquets in the upper Ohio Valley.

When a fellow wrestler by the name of Daniel Burke was killed in an automobile accident in 1983, Pete Cuffaro initiated and has annually presented the Daniel M. Burke Memorial Wrestling Scholarship at the OVAC's Spring Banquet since 1984.

In June of 1983, Pete Cuffaro suffered a spinal cord injury in a freak diving accident which left him permanently confined to a wheelchair. Still, Pete did not let the injury keep him down. He has the upmost respect of the area wrestling community for his dedication to the mat sport for well over 30 years, as well as many other civic organizations.

Pete Cuffaro lives by the following motto:

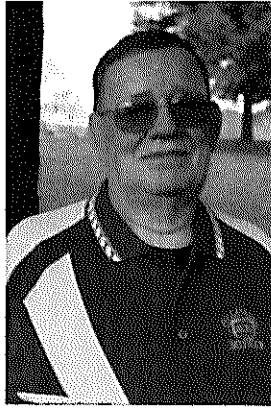
"No matter how bad you think you have it, look around. You can always find someone else who has it worse than you do. Count your blessings!"

Pete Cuffaro, 1992 Distinguished West Virginian Award recipient, resides in Wheeling with his wife Erin and stepdaughter Jessica.

The National Wrestling Hall of Fame honors Pete Cuffaro with the "Medal of Courage" award, class of 2017.

Bill Donohew

“Lifetime Service to Wrestling”



A 1966 West Virginia State Champion, Bill Donohew matriculated at Fairmont State College where he won two West Virginia State College wrestling Titles. His collegiate record as a 4-year letter winner was an outstanding 45-6.

Bill Donohew’s first coaching position was at St. Marys (WV) High School from 1971 to 1973, where his team won the Little Kanawha Conference Title.

Donohew then moved to Wheeling to teach and coach at Warwood High School. He was assigned as the school’s assistant varsity wrestling coach, a position he held from 1973 to 1976.

While there, his “Viking” matmen won team championships at the Ohio Valley Athletic Conference Wrestling Championships and a West Virginia State Tournament Title.

In the fall of 1976, Warwood, Triadelphia, and Wheeling High Schools combined to form Wheeling Park High School. Donohew then assumed the post of head wrestling coach at Warwood Junior High School, where his teams won two PAC-8 Championships during his tenure there from 1976 to 2003.

For his accomplishments at Warwood Junior High School, Coach Bill Donohew was honored with the 1982 OVAC Junior High Wrestling Coach of the Year award.

After retiring as a teacher in 2003, Bill Donohew took on the position of head wrestling coach at Follansbee Middle School. Throughout his tenure there, his “Blue Wave” wrestlers have won three BMAC Championships (2003-Present).

Coach Bill Donohew has coached wrestling for an incredible 45 years and is still going strong on the mats!

Bill Donohew and his wife Jeanette reside in Warwood. They have two children, Kelly and Scott, and are now enjoying their grandchildren: Chelsea, Bethany, and Bret.

The National Wrestling Hall of Fame honors Bill Donohew with a “Lifetime Service to Wrestling” award, class of 2017.

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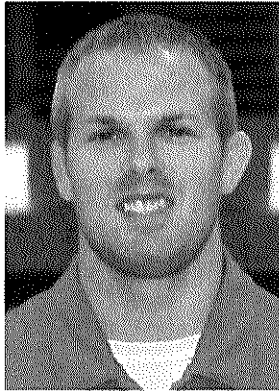


1st Row - Cordell Lingafelter, Jarrett Stillion, Terry Gatrell

2nd Row - Jason Peebles, Jud Ramage, Trent McManes

Not Pictured - Paige Milhoan, Tim Chesar, Jordan Grewell

DANNY IRWIN
HEAD WRESTLING COACH
WHEELING JESUIT UNIVERSITY



With a solid foundation in place, Danny Irwin has been selected to take the Wheeling Jesuit wrestling program's reigns as its new head coach, and continue the nationally-ranked team ascension up the NCAA Division II landscape.

Irwin comes to the fifth-year Cardinals wrestling program after being an assistant wrestling coach at Wabash (Ind.) College for the past nine seasons.

WJU Director of Athletics Kevin Forde is pleased to announce Irwin joining the Cardinals wrestling program:

"The Cardinal Athletics Department is extremely excited to welcome Danny Irwin and his family to Wheeling and to the Wheeling Jesuit University Athletics Department," Forde said.

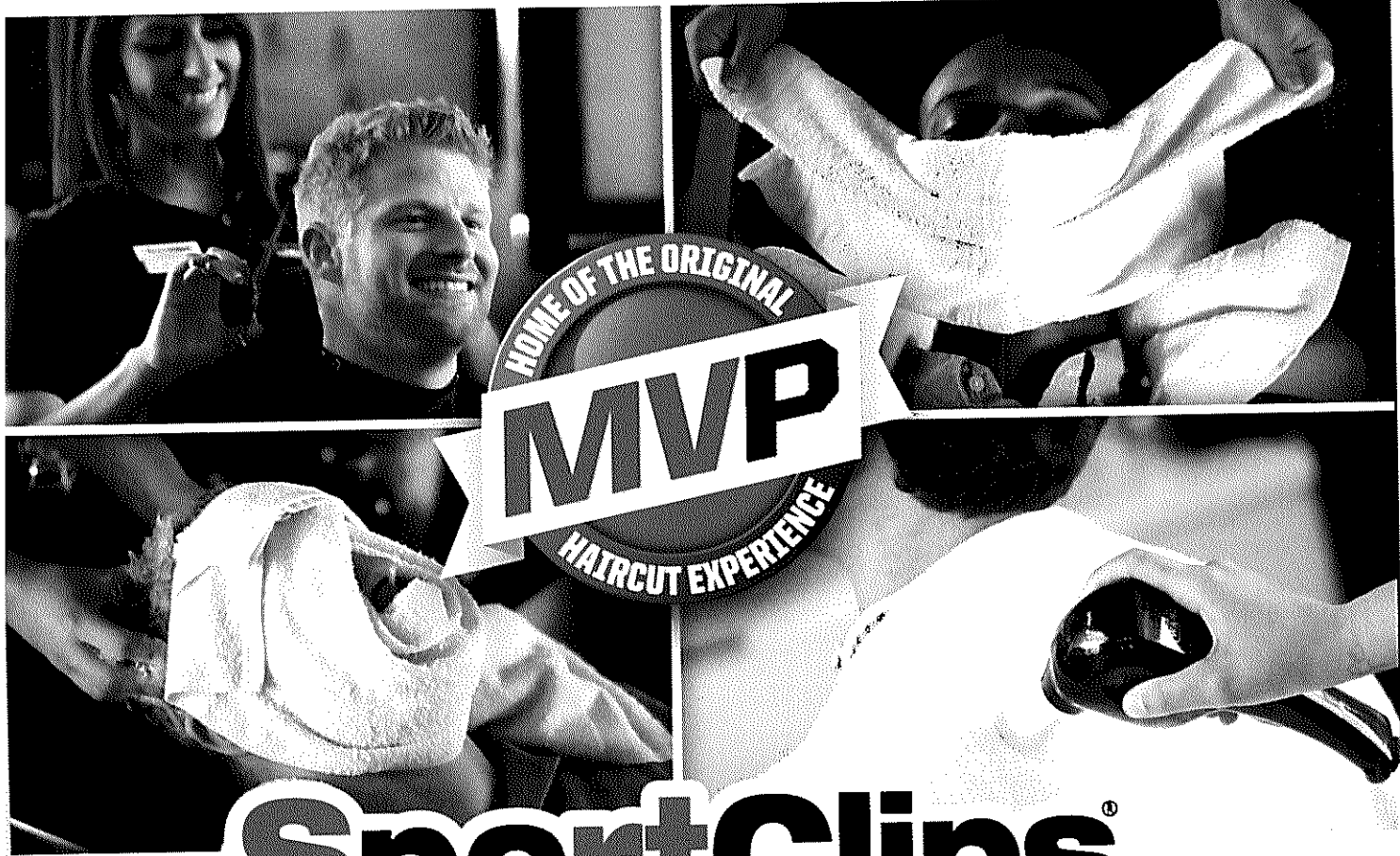
"Danny brings a wealth of experience that will allow him to hit the ground running. His passion combined with his wrestling knowledge will allow our program to continue to make great strides in becoming one of the best wrestling programs in the country.

He understands what coaching young men at a mission driven university is all about and will always have the student-athletes best interest at the forefront of his mind. We are eager for him to get to campus to start the next chapter of Cardinal Wrestling."

Upon his selection, Coach Irwin stated, "I am excited for the opportunity to lead the Wheeling Jesuit wrestling program and would like to thank Kevin Forde along with the rest of the search committee for entrusting the program to me. I was impressed with everyone I had a chance to meet with on my visits to campus and I believe in the university's mission. I am looking forward to working with our coaching staff so that every one of our student-athletes have a first-class experience on-and-off the mat."

The new WJU head wrestling coach graduated with a bachelor's degree in history from Manchester (IN) College. He and his wife, Andrea, have two children: daughter, Addison and son, J.P.

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