

62nd ANNUAL RON MAUCK OVAC TOURNAMENT

Former WP Coach Earns Mr. Mat Award

Monteleone won
2006 Class AAA
wrestling title

By **BILL WELKER**
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WHEELING — The OVAC has honored Gene Monteleone as the 2015 Mr. Mat recipient.

Monteleone graduated from Warwood High School in 1973 where he excelled in wrestling. His coach was OVAC Hall of Famer Dick Edge. Monteleone earned his Bachelor's degree from West Liberty State College, then acquired a Master of Arts degree from West Virginia University.

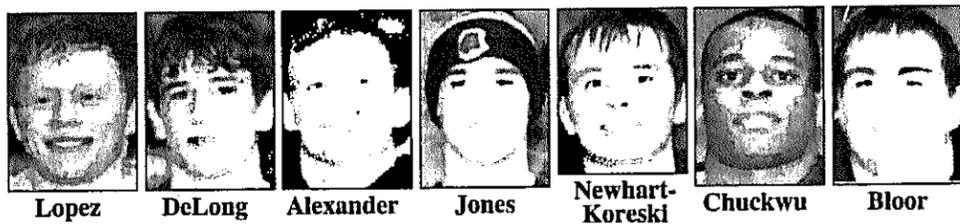
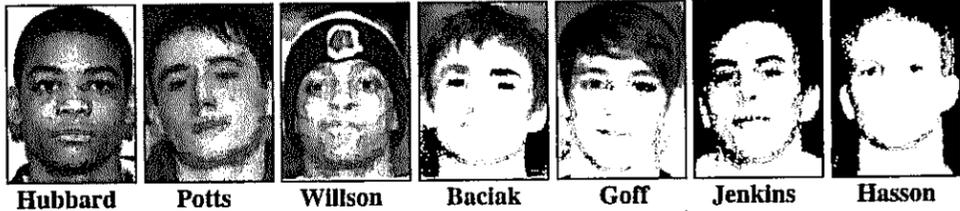
Though Monteleone dreamed of being a teacher and coach, he had to wait for an opening to occur in the Ohio County Schools System. During that time before his teaching opportunity, Monteleone worked for the Ohio Coal Company.

In 1982, he was hired to teach and coach at Bridge Street Middle. His teaching assignments included social studies and physical education. Monteleone was also appointed as the head wrestling coach and assistant coach in football and track.

As the school's wrestling coach, he won three PAC-8 Middle School Wrestling Championships. In the fall of 1988, he was reassigned to Wheeling Park where he taught social studies and driver education. He assisted Coach Edward "Buzz" Evans for nine years and also served as assistant football coach for six years.

In 1996, Monteleone took over the helm of Park's wrestling program for one year.

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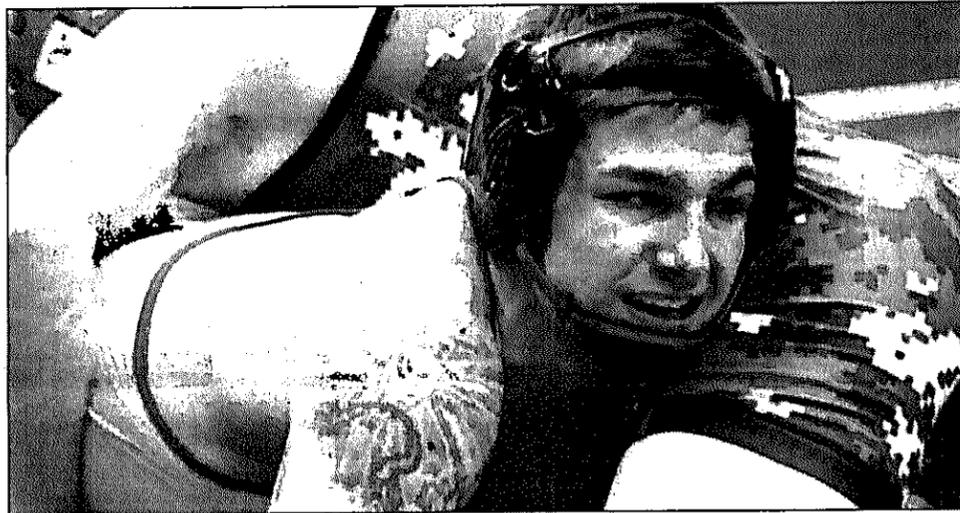


Photo by Mike Palmer

Wheeling Park's Dylan Taylor grapples against Daniel Hasson of Beaver Local during the 145-pound bout. Hasson won the match.

Chuckwu claims first title for Linsly in 17 years

By **KYLE LUTZ**
Staff Writer

WHEELING — Three days and countless wrestling matches later, the 62nd annual Ron Mauck OVAC Wrestling Tournament concluded Saturday night as 14 wrestlers claimed first place in their respective weight classes.

History was made in the 220-pound class as Linsly's Chuckwudi Chuckwu claimed the title for the Cadets. It was the first time in 17 years that an individual from the school won a title.

"Wrestling is an individual sport, but I have

to give credit to my team," Chuckwu said. "It's been three years since the program just started and all the hard work that we've done and put in, it's all to my teammates."

"All of this just can't be for me, so I have to give thanks to my teammates."

His teammates pulled through as well as Linsly claimed the 3A championship.

"We have come a long way in our three years of our program," Cadets coach Brain Valentine said. "Our kids have been working hard."

Linsly finished 10th overall.

Parkersburg South reclaimed the overall and class 5A titles as it broke an OVAC Tournament record with 315 team points.

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Steubenville, the class 5A runner-up, came in second place overall with a total of 236 points followed by Beaver Local in third, Wheeling Park in fourth, and Oak Glenn fifth. The Beavers claimed the class 4A championship.

"I think our boys did a great job," Parkersburg South coach Donna Dixon said. "We are really proud of them. We wished that we had some more champions, but how can you complain with what we did?"

"We're just tickled and this is our leadup to our big tournament at the end of February and hopefully we can win the state championship."

Parkersburg South had three wrestlers win their weight classes in Hunter DeLong (160), Dylan Alexander (170), and Tyler Newhart-Koreski (195). When Alexander won his championship match, it was announced that Parkersburg South broke the tournament record of most points scored.

"These boys came up here and did a fantastic job," Dixon said about the record. "All 14 wrestlers placed. To me, that means more than anything because all these boys came up here and did what they were supposed to do."

Wheeling Park had one top dog in Dallas Baciak. The senior, who also won last year, repeated in the 126-pound weight class.

"It's an amazing feeling," Baciak said. "I've worked hard all year for it, and I'm happy to end it with a win my senior year."

Dylan Taylor finished second at 145 as he lost a heartbreaking battle to Beaver Local's Daniel Hason in a 10-6 decision.

"We had six guys seeded

coming in, and we placed seven," Wheeling Park coach Jack Doyle said. "All of our guys except for two finished higher than their seeds, so it was a pretty good accomplishment. (Tonight) we had a great night. We won six out of seven matches and lost in a heartbreaker. We are leaving here pretty happy."

Steubenville had the most wrestlers finish in first place with four.

Big Red got things going early as they won three out of the first five championships. Jashon Hubbard won the 106 championship while Tariq Wilson won 120. Dakotah Goff got first place at 132 and Branden Jones got top prize in 182.

"We definitely had a great finals round," Big Red coach Mike Blackburn said. "We wrestled great, especially in the championship matches. A couple of matches could have went either way. Overall, we had a great finals round."

Wilson won the Hercules award for having the fastest pin of the tournament.

The Tigers of Shadyside won the 1A/2A title.

Alex Potts of East Liverpool claimed the 113 weight title and was also named the Most Outstanding Wrestler of the tournament. Meadowbrook claimed the 138-pound title as Tyler Jenkins climbed his way to victory while Ryan Lopez (152) of University added a championship to his resume. Seth Bloor won the heavyweight title for Wellsville.

Other awards that were given out were the Project Best Pear Sadler Team Sportsmanship Award that went to Harrison Central; the Director's Award went to Jim Rogers and the Mr. Mat Award went to Gene Monteleone.

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He again returned as the head wrestling coach from 2002 to 2007, where his teams were a force to contend with in West Virginia and the upper Ohio Valley. His teams recorded a dual meet record of 85-21.

Monteleone's squads won three OVAC Dual Meet Championships, three OVAC Division 4A Championships, and an over-all OVAC Ron Mauck Tournament Team Championship in 2006. For his outstanding efforts as the Wheeling Park mat strategist, Monteleone was honored three times as an OVAC Wrestling Coach of the Year.

In 2006, Monteleone's

mat squad cap the season with a West Virginia AAA State Championship in Huntington. He was also named the West Virginia State Coaches Association Coach of the year in 2006.

During his years at the Park mat team's helm, Monteleone produced numerous OVAC and West Virginia State Wrestling Champions. But just as important he had the utmost respect from his coaching colleagues.

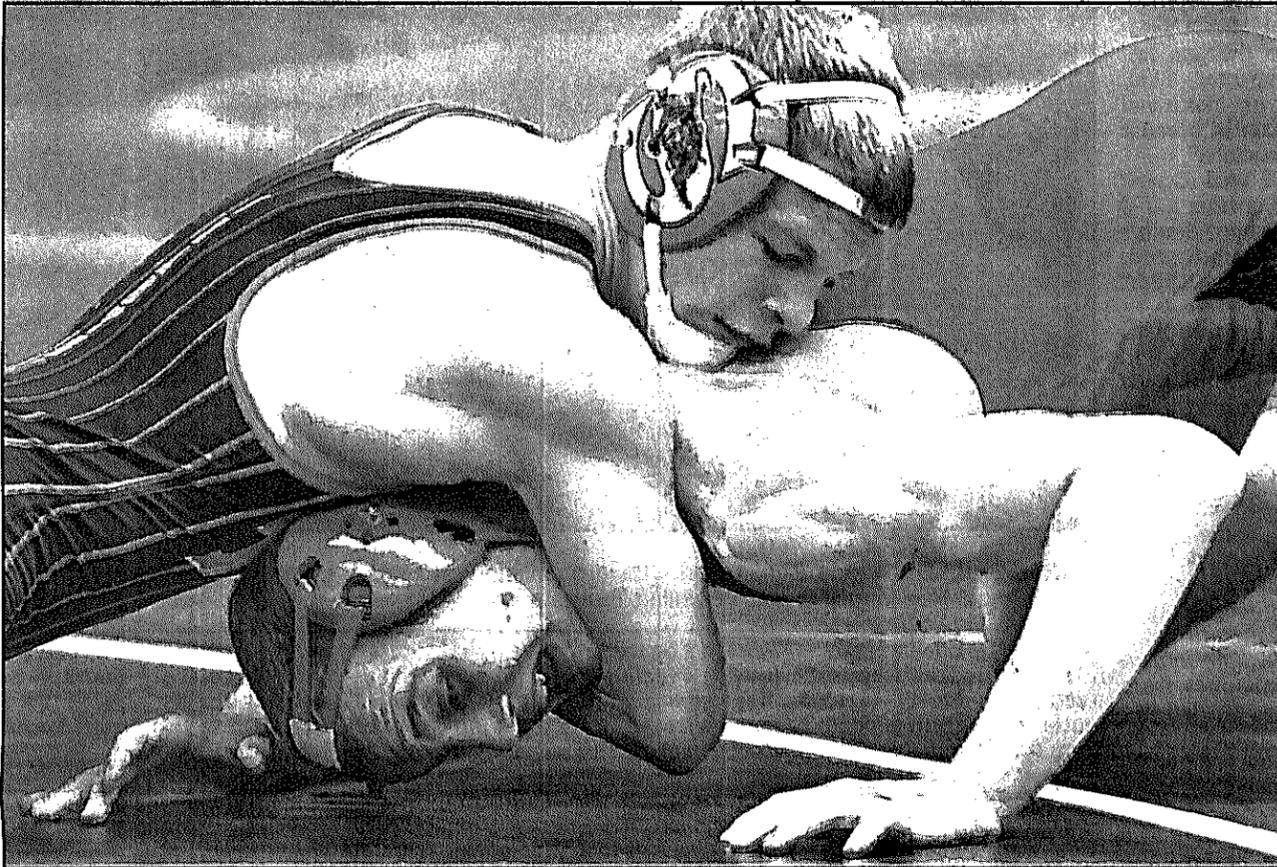
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LEFT: Union Local's Bobby Stewart, right, and Shadyside's Cody Hawthorne compete in the 138-pound weight class Friday afternoon.

TOP: Monroe Central's Tanner Potts, left, and Toronto's Joven Householder are all tangled up during their 220-pound bout.

BOTTOM: Shadyside's Josh Kahl, right, has a grip on Parkersburg South's Zach Collins during their 126-pound quarterfinal match Friday night.

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Fourteen area matmen in OVAC semis

• South running away with overall championship; Shadyside pacing 1A/2A

By **KIM NORTH**
Times Leader Sports Writer

WHEELING — A total of 14 local wrestlers are two wins away from becoming Ron Mauck Ohio Valley Athletic Conference Wrestling Tournament champions as the 62nd annual event heads into the final day inside WesBanco Arena.

Shadyside and Martins Ferry lead the way with three semifinalists, while Union Local and Linsly each have two. Buckeye Local, Harrison Central, Monroe Central and St. Clairsville all have one.

Action gets under way today at noon with championship round semifinals and consolation matches. The

Parade of Champions begins at 6 p.m., with the championship finals immediately thereafter.

In addition to having three wrestlers still alive for titles, the Tigers of head coach Sean Grinch have a fourth in the consolation bracket. The Orange-and-Black lead the Class 1A/2A with 84.5 points ahead of second-place Toronto's 68.

"Our guys have battled the first two days and I couldn't be any prouder," Grinch said. "We're not done yet. The three guys that are in the semis were in the same position as last year, so I know they are looking to improve upon what they did last year."

Earning semifinal berths were sophomores Greg Quinn (113) and Josh Kahl (126), and junior Brett Kahl (152). Sophomore Billy Johnson (145) can still get third.

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OVAC Wrestling Notebook

Wrestling helped McDonald to the NFL

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WHEELING — Devon McDonald has had an accomplished college and professional football career. The former Notre Dame and Indianapolis Colts standout said he owes it all to wrestling his freshman and sophomore years in high school.

McDonald, the CEO of Sports World Ministries, delivered the opening prayer prior to the start of the 62nd annual Ron Mauck Ohio Valley Athletic Conference Wrestling Tournament Thursday night. He told those in attendance, specifically the wrestlers, that he could have never

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reached the level of football he did had he not wrestled for those two years.

"What you learn in wrestling is hard work, determination and you also learn the techniques," he explained. "You need to stay low in wrestling, just like football, to get underneath your opponent. You've got to stay low and use your weight against the opponent."

He then relayed a story of his days at Notre Dame when Lou Holtz was the head coach.

"We're in pads and we're going 1-on-1. I'm going against a guy that weighs 300 pounds. I threw him to the ground and Coach Holtz says 'how did you do that?' I told him I didn't know," he said, laughing. "We lined up and did it again, and again I threw the guy to the ground. Coach Holtz again asked, 'how are you doing that?'"

"When I think back, I just knew that I had to get up under that guy. That's what you learn in wrestling, get lower than your opponent and use your

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The third-seeded Quinn, who improved to 18-2 after pinning John Marshall's Brandon Bertrand in 1:42, will meet a familiar face in his semifinal in East Liverpool's Alex Potts, the No. 2 seed who is 34-2. Potts defeated Quinn, 4-2, in last year's 106-pound finals.

"I know Greg has probably been looking forward to this," Grinch allowed. "He probably didn't wrestle his best match of the year last year, but Potts is a super tough kid. I'm very excited for the match and the fans should be excited because they're both great wrestlers."

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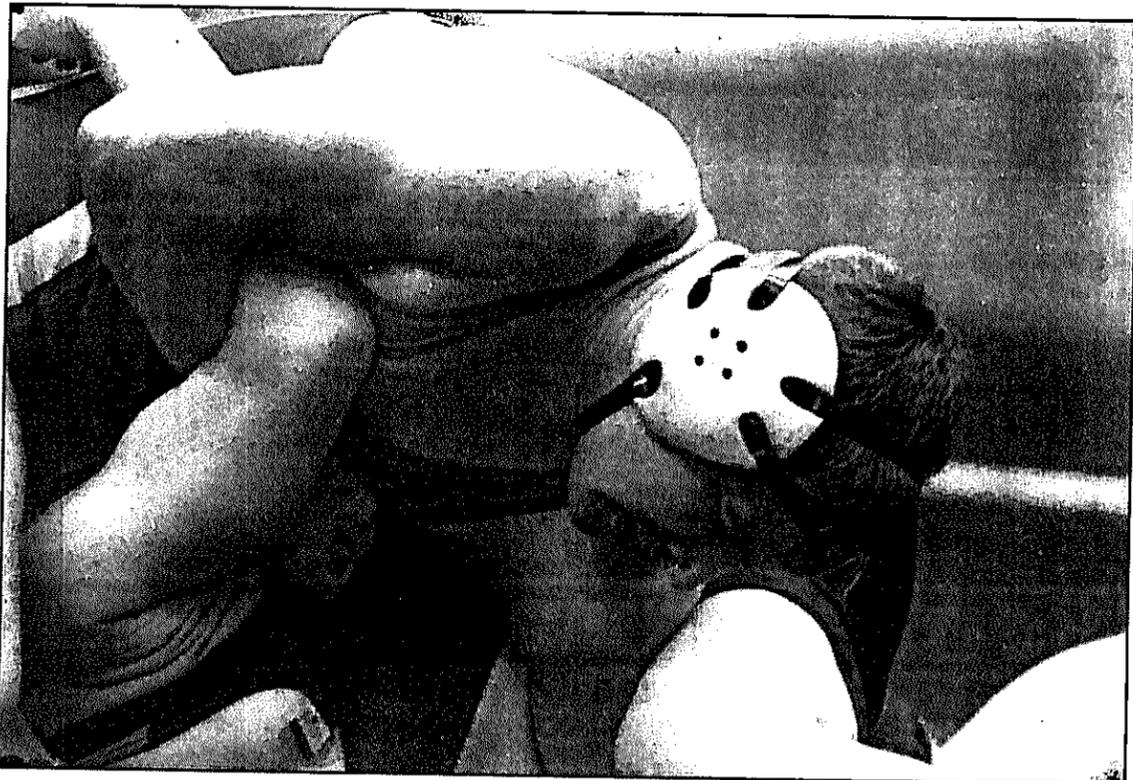
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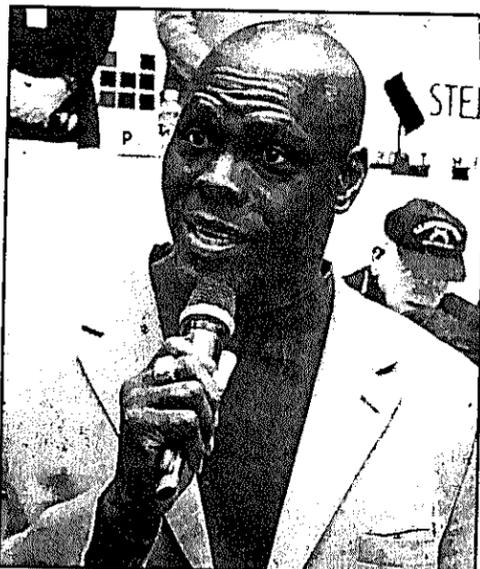
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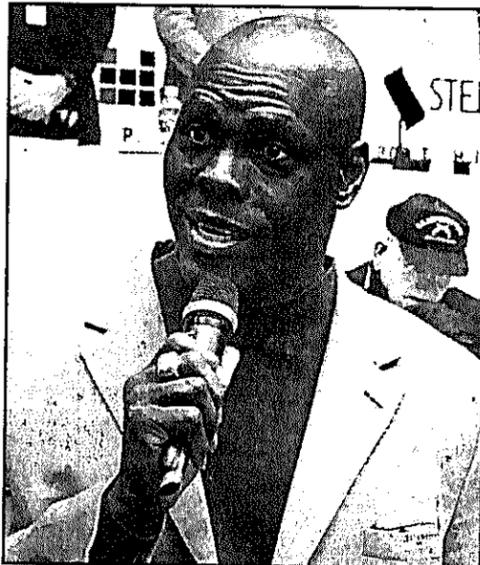
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25 Years Later

As has been the norm for several years, the 25-year reunion of past champions will unfold Saturday night. There were only 13 weight classes back then, but 11 of those 1990 champions will be in attendance.

Those returning include Kelly Shields,



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■ There were also three sets of brothers in the quarters - the Hubbard's, Kahl's and Bodkin's. Only the Kahl's and Bodkin's prevailed.

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The Wood County Patriots have won the team title four of the five years since they joined the bi-state conference prior to the 2009-2010 school year. The year they didn't — 2013 — Big Red prevailed for its first overall title since 1995.

Parkersburg South has a seeded wrestler in every weight classification, with three of them being award top seeds. They are defending champion Hunter DeLong, who won at 145 but has bumped up to 160 this year; Justin Allman, who won at 182 but is seeded No. 2 at the same weight behind Steubenville's Brandon Jones, who was runnerup at 170 last winter; and Tyler Newhart-Koreski at 195 where he finished third last season.

Steubenville leads the way with four No. 1 seeds in Jashon Hubbard (106), Tariq Wilson (120), Dakotah Goff (132) and Branden Jones (182).

Wilson, just a junior, is already a two-time OVAC champion, as well as a Division II state runnerup last year. He is currently 26-0.

"Tariq takes it the same every year," Steubenville head coach Mike Blackburn said of his talented lightweight. "This is just a stepping stone for the end of the season, and I think he wants to finish up this year like the first two with OVAC championships."

Hubbard is the younger brother of Big Red's 138-pound Jesse Hubbard. Their father, also Jesse, won an OVAC title in 1989.

"Jashon is a pretty talented freshman," Blackburn said of his flyweight, who is 24-2.

"Goff lost a tough match to Wheeling Park's Dallas Baciak in the finals at 120," Blackburn recalled. "He deserved the top seed this year."

"Jones is quite a story," Blackburn continued. "He came in here unseeded as a sophomore and placed fourth. Last year he was the top seed and got beat in the finals. He's a tough kid."

The remaining top seeds are University's Jackson Henson (113); Baciak (126); Meadowbrook's Tyler Jenkins (138); Wheeling Park's Dylan Taylor (145); University's Ryan Lopez (152); Linsly's Chukwudi Chukwu (220); and Martins Ferry's Jonathan Bodkin (285).

Among the local teams, the Purple Riders lead the way with five seeded wrestlers, including the defending heavyweight champion in Bodkin. Other individuals earning a spot in the top 8 of their weight classes are Theodore Zoumpolidis (106-8th), Bryce Coleman (152-5th), Dalton Hoover (182-3rd) and Hunter Bodkin (220-5th).

"I'm happy with where our guys got seeded," Martins Ferry head coach Chas Yoder said. "We've just got to go out and wrestle to our capabilities."

Action begins Thursday at 6 p.m. with the Olympic-style opening ceremonies inside downtown Wheeling's WesBanco Arena. Wrestling starts at 6:30.

OVAC WRESTLING
What: First Round
When: Thursday, 6:30
Where: WesBanco Arena
Tickets: Available at the WesBanco Box office

Monteleone receives the Mr. Mat

WHEELING — The Ohio Valley Athletic Conference takes pride in honoring Coach Gene Monteleone as the 2015 Mr. Mat recipient.

Monteleone graduated from Warwood High School in 1973 where he excelled in wrestling. His coach was OVAC hall of famer Dick Edge. Monteleone earned his Bachelor's degree from West Liberty State College (now West Liberty University). He then acquired a Master of Arts degree from West Virginia University.

Though Monteleone dreamed of being a teacher and coach, he had to wait for an opening to occur in the Ohio County Schools System. During that time before his teaching opportunity became a reality, Monteleone worked for the Ohio Coal Company.

It was in the 1982 that he was hired to teach and coach at Bridge Street Middle School. His teaching assignments included social studies and physical education. Monteleone was also appointed as the head wrestling coach and assistant coach in football and track.

As the school's wrestling coach he won three PAC-8 Middle School Wrestling Championships. In the fall of 1988, he was reassigned to Wheeling Park High School where he taught social studies and driver education. He assisted Coach Edward "Buzz" Evans in wrestling for nine years and also served as assistant football coach for six years.

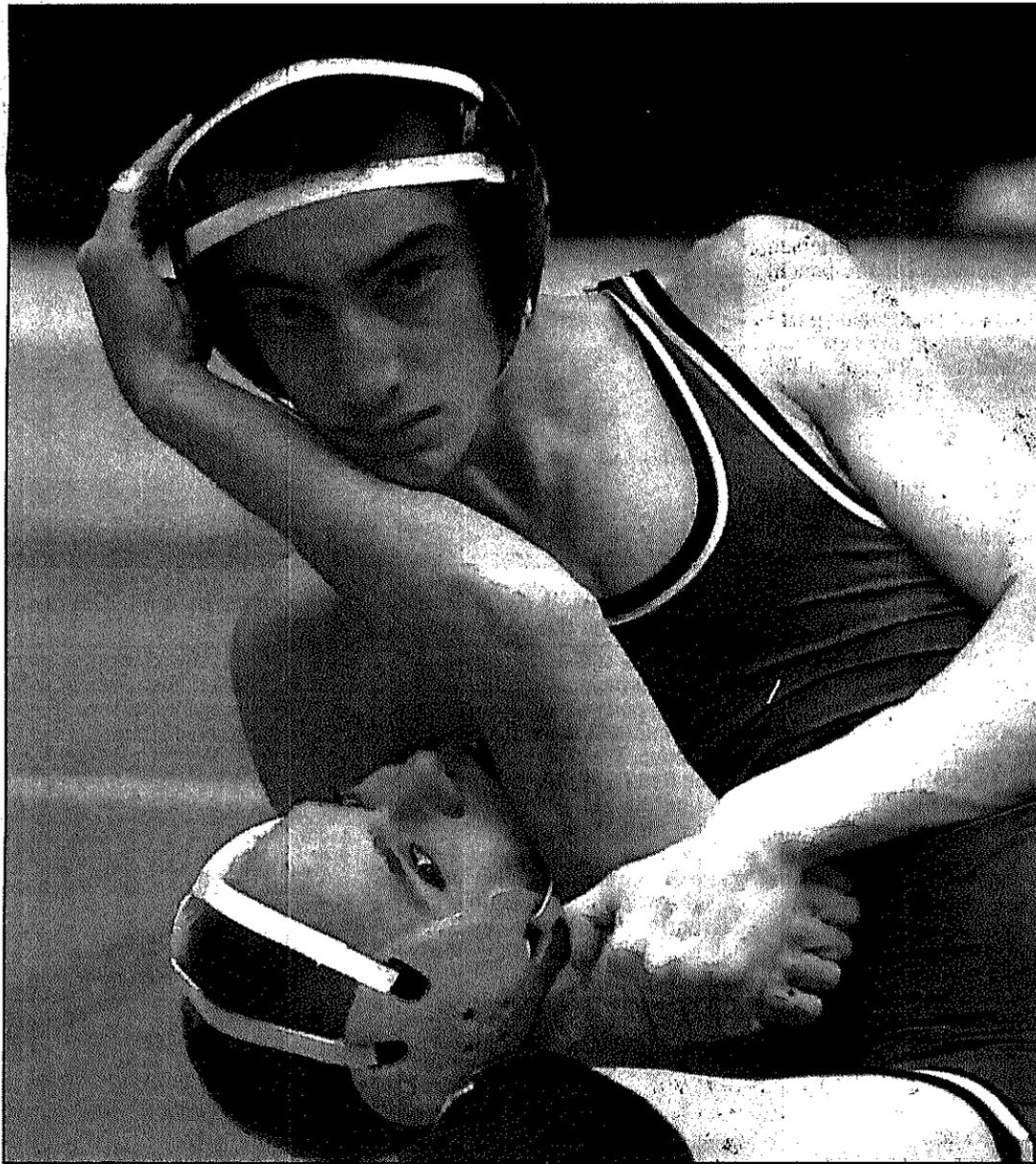
In 1996, Coach Monteleone took over the helm of Park's wrestling program for one year. He again returned as the head wrestling coach from 2002 to 2007, where his teams were a force to contend with in West Virginia and the upper Ohio Valley. His teams during his tenure recorded a dual meet record of 85 wins and 21 losses.

Coach Monteleone's squads won three OVAC Dual Meet Championships, three OVAC Division 4A Championships, and an over-all OVAC Ron Mauck Tournament Team Championship in 2006. For his outstanding efforts as the Wheeling Park mat strategist, Coach Monteleone was honored three times as an OVAC Wrestling Coach of the Year.

In 2006, Coach Gene Monteleone's mat squad cap the season with a West Virginia AAA State Championship at Huntington.

He was also named the West Virginia State Coaches Association Coach of the year in 2006.

62nd Annual Ron Mauck OVAC Wrestling Tournament



MARTINS FERRY'S Theo Zoumpolidis garners control of Meadowbrook's Chase Stephens during their 106-pound first round match Thursday night. Zoumpolidis downed Stephens, 10-8, to advance.

T-L Photos/MIKE PALMER

According to plan

• Few surprises as event gets under way

By KIM NORTH
Times Leader Sports Writer

WHEELING — When the coaches for the 62nd annual Ron Mauck Ohio Valley Athletic Conference Wrestling Tournament got together Sunday for their seed meeting, they certainly knew what they were doing.

Of the 112 wrestlers that earned a top 8 seed in their respective weight class, only four lost in Thursday night's opening round. Of those, two were No. 6's. There were also a No. 7 and a No. 8.

Parkersburg South, as expected, leads the team standings with 56 points, which is the maximum a team can get in the first round. All 14 Patriots earned pins, with 12 of them not venturing past the first period.

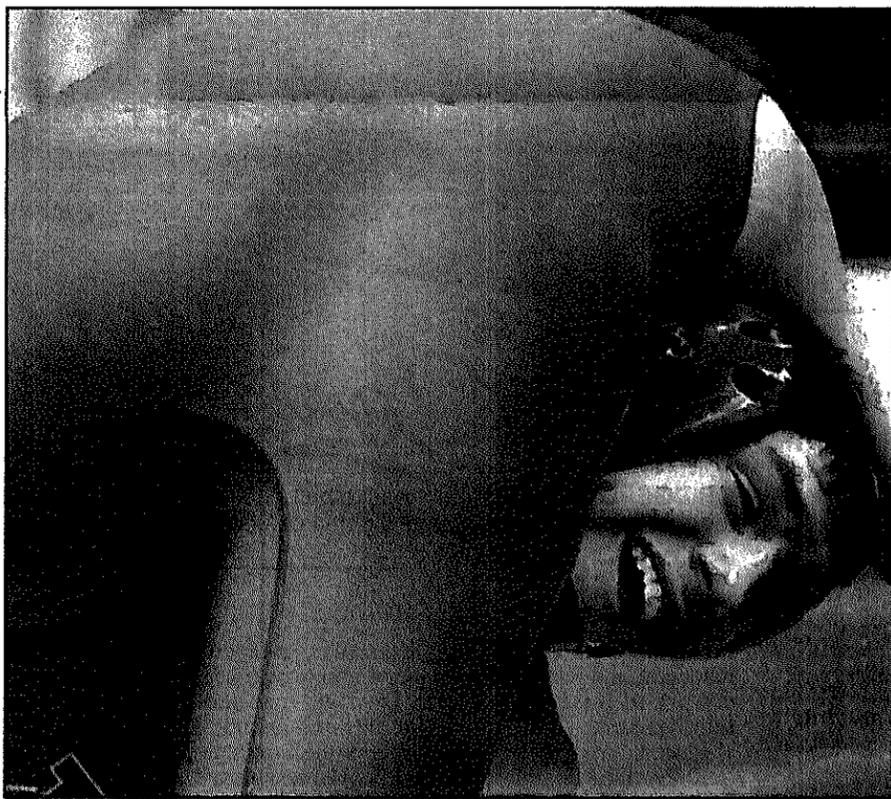
Steubenville is second with 43.5 points, while University is third with 32. Rounding out the top five are Oak Glen and Beaver Local with 28 and 27.5, respectively.

Locally, 59 wrestlers are still alive for championships, with Shadyside leading the way with nine. The Tigers are tied for 10th overall with East Liverpool with 21.5 points.

"That's pretty much where I expected us to be," Shadyside head coach Sean Grinch said.

Union Local, which sits in 12th place with 20 markers, has eight individuals still alive in the championship bracket. Barnesville, Harrison Central and Martins Ferry each have six, while Monroe Central and St. Clairsville each have five. River had four; Beallsville and Buckeye Local three each; Bridgeport two; and Bellaire and St. John Central one each.

Martins Ferry's 285-pound senior Jonathan Bodkin is seeking to defend his title. He wasted little time in pinning Linsly's Miles Oladimeji in 39 seconds. Ironically, it was a Linsly wrestler — Chukwudi Chukwu — who the Purple Rider heavyweight defeated for his cham-



HARRISON CENTRAL'S Hunter Pizzino gets the best of Brooke's Dalton Yost during their 138-pound match Thursday night.

pionship last winter.

Chukwu, who has dropped to 220 where he is the top seed, won with a 28-second fall.

Shadyside's Greg Quinn, who is seeded No. 3, earned a first-period fall at 113 where he is the third seed. He is headed for a semifinal showdown with East Liverpool's Alex Potts, whom he lost to in last year's 106-pound final.

Harrison Central's Brandon White, the No. 7 seed, is also looking to make some noise in the bottom part of that bracket. He needed just 1:10 to finish his match.

At 120, Monroe Central's Rodney Richter, the No. 2 seed, pinned Weir's Jasmine Wilson in 2:13.

Shadyside's Josh Kahl, the second seed at 126, needed 3:15 to dispatch Linsly's

Thomas Mosman. He is paired with Bridgeport's Elliott Dean in today's quarterfinals.

A rematch of last year's semifinal at 132 between Harrison Central's Hunter Pizzino and Union Local's Bobby Stewart could be looming on the horizon at 138 this season. Stewart, the No. 2 seed who was runnerup last season, and Pizzino, the third seed, both won convincingly.

Six local matmen are still alive at 152, with Shadyside's second-seeded Brett Kahl in the bottom half of the draw. Martins Ferry's Bryce Coleman, seeded fifth, is in the top portion.

Third-seeded Hobie Howler, of Barnesville, and Buckeye Local's Josh Sokolowski, No. 4, at 160 are in opposite

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MONROE CENTRAL'S Rod Richter battles Weir's Jasmine Wilson at 120 pounds Thursday night.

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brackets. Howler won with a 37-second fall, while Sokolowski earned a technical fall.

Union Local's Matt McFarland, seeded second at 170, won his tournament-high 35th bout of the season with a 1:14 flattening of Beaver Local's Chad Mays.

Martins Ferry freshman Dalton Hoover made his first OVAC match a memorable one as he pinned Indian Creek's Richie Jarman in 1:54. he is seeded third.

Barnesville's Caide Bunfill, the No. 5 seed at 195, needed just 13 seconds to oust Edison's James Harris.

Michael Furbee, St. Clairsville's second-seeded 220-pounder, moved on with a 58-second pin. Monroe Central's Tanner Potts (4th seed) and Martins Ferry's Hunter Bodkin (5th) are each one win away from a quarterfinal matchup after each won by pin.

St. Clairsville's Carson Ernest knocked off No. 8 seed Donnie Merritt, 6-3, at 285 pounds. It avenged a loss in the Buckeye 8 Tournament last weekend.

Wrestling begins today with second round championship bouts at noon. Consolation rounds will also be wrestled today, with quarterfinal bouts slated for a 6 p.m. start.

TOURNAMENT NOTES

■ The 2014 OVAC Coaches of the Year were

honored prior to the start of last night's event. They are: Class A – Ray Pernell, Weirton Madonna; Class AA – Sean Grinch, Shadyside; Class AAA – Aaron Henry, Steubenville Catholic Central; Class AAAA – Mike Blackburn, Steubenville; Class AAAAA – Donna Dixon, Parkersburg South.

■ Also recognized were Harrison Central's Todd Dunlap as the Assistant Coach of the Year; and Steubenville's Jesse Hubbard as Junior High Coach of the Year.

■ Paul Coffland, a Cadiz resident, was named the Larry Deaton OVAC Official of the Year.

■ There were a total of 157 matches contested Thursday night. Of that number, 120 ended with pins, with 44 of those coming in less than a minute. There were 20 decisions. Eight ended in technical falls, with eight more being major decisions. There was one injury default and three bouts decided in overtime.

■ The quickest pin of the night went to Cameron's Dalton Wood who recorded a 7-second fall over Weir's Dustin Lengyel. Two-time defending champion Tariq Wilson, of Steubenville, had an 8-second pin and East Liverpool's Dakota Ice a 9-second fall.

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South Takes Early Lead on OVAC Mats

Big Red, University also start strong

By KYLE LUTZ
Staff Writer

WHEELING — After the opening ceremony of the 62nd annual Ron Mauck Wrestling Tournament at WesBanco Arena, in which all the teams were introduced as they walked out onto the mats with a special guest of honor holding the team sign, it was down to business for all wrestlers. With 14 of its wrestlers securing a seed in their individual weight class, Parkersburg South has the early lead after the first

day with 56 points. Steubenville, the Class 4A champion last season, had a solid outing as it is in second place followed by University.

"We think they did a great job and wrestled really well," Parkersburg South coach Donna Dixon said. "We want them to wrestle well for the next two days and that's our goal. We didn't have any major surprises. They

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Photo by Mike Palmer

Wheeling Park's Dallas Baciak tries to pin Steubenville's Michael Gray during the 62nd Annual Ron Mauck OVAC Wrestling Tournament Thursday at WesBanco Arena. Baciak pinned Gray in 2:20.

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did anything we asked for and there were some really good pins and that's all we can ask for."

All 14 wrestlers for the Patriots won their matches Thursday, all of which came by pin. One impressive victory was Hunter Cline, the No. 4 seed of the 113-pound weight class. He won his match in a staggering 11 seconds. Six other Parkersburg South athletes pinned their opponents in less than a minute.

Steubenville's Jason Hubbard ran away with a victory, winning in 24 seconds to give Big Red its first victory of the day in the 106 weight class.

"I thought we did what we were supposed to," Big Red coach Mike Blackburn said. "I thought we had a tough match with Brian Ferguson. He was wrestling (Patrick) Arneault from Oak Glen. It ended up being a 3-2 loss for us but he wrestled tough. We've got to win some matches like that. I think overall though, we wrestled pretty strong."

The Golden Bears are in fourth place with 28 points.

Tariq Wilson had a strong performance for Big Red as it only took eight seconds for him to pin his opponent to move onto the next round.

As most of the seeded wrestlers moved on, there were a few upsets. One of which included Wheeling Park's Tommy Ricker's 5-2 decision victory against No. 7 seed Chris Rusch from Morgantown at 182.

"That's always fun when you can do that," Wheeling Park coach Jack Doyle said. "We want to have a story.

We want Wheeling Park to be a story of the tournament in some way or another. Obviously we want it to be in a positive way and I think we are off to a really good start."

Other unseeded victories against seeded opponents included John Marshall's Brandon Bertrand defeating No. 6 Logan Ball in a 7-6 decision in overtime in the 113 weight class, 285-pounder Carson Ernest of St. Clairsville won by decision, 6-3, against No. 8 Donnie Merritt of Indian Creek and Adam Fox of Cambridge beat sixth seed Colton Kirby of Clay-Battelle 14-8 by decision.

"I tell these unseeded guys that every year someone unseeded becomes a story," Doyle said. "Last year it was James Parsons from our team. This year maybe it's Tommy Ricker. He's a senior; he's ready to find his way onto the podium this year and to be a place winner."

Wheeling Park is in seventh place in the overall standings with 25.5 points while Linsly sits ninth with 22. John Marshall is in a tie at 18th with Madonna, each with 15 points.

During the opening ceremonies, the awards for coach of the year from last year were announced. Ray Pernell of Madonna received the class 1A award and Sean Grinch of Shadyside was class 2A Coach of the Year. Steubenville Catholic's Aaron Henry was the class 3A Coach of the Year while Blackburn received the 4A Coach of the Year. Dixon was the 5A Coach of the Year.

Our Opinion

Mat Spectacle

IT IS has blossomed into a rite of winter. It is also one almost always accompanied by nasty wintry weather.

The 62nd edition of the Ron Mauck OVAC Wrestling Tournament gets under way at Wheeling's WesBanco Arena tonight following a grand Olympic-style opening ceremony. It will continue through Saturday night's finals.

The three-day wrestling extravaganza is one of the pinnacles of the mat season, along with the respective Ohio and West Virginia state tournaments. The Ron Mauck tourney is a grueling test of a participant's physical and mental resolve.

To emerge as a champion, a grappler must prevail five successive times against some quality foes. Each eventual kingpin will have successfully displayed his championship mettle.

The tournament brings together 40 conference members, meshing small schools with big. That is

one of the beauties of the event, giving David a spectacular forum to possibly slay Goliath.

Parkersburg South is one of the pre-tournament favorites, along with Steubenville.

The Wood County-based Patriots are relative newcomers to the OVAC, but have pocketed the overall team title in four of the five years they have been in the conference. Steubenville, meanwhile, claimed the overall crown in 2013.

The Ron Mauck Tournament operates seamlessly as the wrestling fraternity is a tight-knit and passionate collection of mat diehards. They all selflessly chip in with their respective strengths for the good of the cause.

We commend all the wrestlers and coaches competing this weekend, wishing them best of luck and health.

We also sing the praises of the impressive wrestling family which elevates this tournament to elite status.



Kim North
Sports Writer

OVAC mat tournament has history

The Ohio Valley Athletic Conference Wrestling Tournament has been around since 1954. Bridgeport, with the legendary George Kovalick as head coach, was crowned the initial team champion.

Now, 61 years later, the largest high school wrestling tournament in the country, since 1979, begins its three-day stay inside WesBanco Arena tonight with the ever-impressive Olympic-style opening ceremonies starting at 6. Wrestling begins a half-hour later.

The first 21 tournaments were held in an all-class format before moving to three classes — A, AA, AAA — in 1975 when Warwood won the small school and overall titles under the late Eric Carder. Union Local and Jim Crosier were the 2A champs, with Bill Hinegardner's John Marshall squad winning 3A.

In 1980, despite consolidations that claimed a few schools, the tournament expanded to four divisions, adding Class AAAA. It remained that way until 2012 when the smaller schools were disappearing, once again to consolidation, and tournament directors combined Class A and AA. That's the way it remains to this day, with Class A/AA, Class AAA, Class AAAA and Class AAAAA.

In 1979, the OVAC began holding its annual wrestling tournament at the downtown Wheeling facility, which was known as the Civic Center, and it has never left. The tournament, which was named the Ron Mauck OVAC Tournament in 2006 after its long-time director, brings a large number of schools to the arena for one weekend each January, which is usually a snowfest.

In preparation for the tournament, the arena's maintenance staff has to cover the floor with plywood, then eight mats are set up by a bevy of volunteers for the wrestlers to compete on. There will be several matches happening at once, which adds to the excitement.

While this year's event seems to be a two-team race between defending champion Parkersburg South and perennial powerhouse Steubenville, everyone knows that a variety of things can, and sometimes will, happen during the course of a three-day tournament.

Individually, seven matmen will be seeking their second OVAC title. They are East Liverpool's Alex Potts (106); Steubenville's Tariq Wilson (113); Wheeling Park's Dallas Baciak (120); Meadowbrook's Tyler Jenkins (126); Parkersburg South's tandem of Hunter DeLong (160) and Justin Allman (182); and Martins Ferry's Jonathan Bodkin (285).

Potts, who established a new Potters' school record for wins at last weekend's Buckeye 8 Tournament, is at 113 this year and seeded second behind University High freshman Jackson Henson (21-0), who is the son of former WVU mat coach Sam Henson. Wilson, a 25-0 junior, is a two-time titlist and returning Division II state runnerup who has also bumped up a weight class to 120 where he is the top seed, while Baciak (25-0) is the No. 1 seed at 126. Jenkins has moved up two weight classes to 138 where he is top-seeded. DeLong and Allman remain at the same weight, with DeLong seeded No. 1 and Allman No. 2 behind Steubenville's Branden Jones, who was second last year at 170. Bodkin, who weighs 250, is the top seed at 285. The returning Division III state fifth-placer is 12-1 with the lone loss coming due to injury default. He defeated Linsly's Chukwudi Chukwu in last year's finals. Chukwu is the top seed at 220 this season.

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In addition, eight River, and even Pennsylvania. Those from the Buckeye State include Paul and Lou Coffland, both from Cadiz; Ed "Buzz" Evans, of Beallsville; St. Clairsville's David Gray; Todd Kildow, of Belmont; Martins Ferry's duo of Ray Marling and Jack Regis; and Dillonvale's Babe Sidon. The West Virginians are Woody Burns, of Elizabeth; Wheeling's Jim Copney and Rick Welker. Representing the Keystone State is Cannonsburg's Ken McWilliams.

Undeclared Coming In
A total of 14 individuals enter the tournament with spotless records. Ten of the 14 weight classes have at least one undefeated wrestler, with two each at 120 and 126. There are no unbeaten at 106, 132, 145 and 195.

Union Local's Matt McFarland, the No. 2 seed at 170 behind Parkersburg South's Dylan Alexander, has the most wins entering the tournament with 34.

Opening Ceremonies

In a switch from year's past, each school entered will have an alumni lead them out during the opening parade of teams onto the mats. It's done similar to the Olympics and is a site to see. Don't be late because things are run in an orderly fashion by tournament organizers.

New Team Entered

With the addition of Fort Frye, that brings the number of schools entered to 40. Of that number, all but seven have at least one seeded wrestler. Parkersburg South, the defending overall and Class 5A champion, has all 14 of its wrestlers seeded in the top 8 of their respective weight class. Steubenville has 12, including four No. 1 seeds.

The Men in Stripes

A dozen referees have been selected to work this weekend's 62nd annual tournament. They come from both sides of the Ohio

River, and even Pennsylvania.

Also, a rules interpreter — Wheeling's Dr. Bill Welker — and public relations coordinator — Ray Anthony, of Columbiana Station — will be on hand all weekend.

Different States, Different Rules

Welker informed all coaches, and media, attending Monday night's final preparation meeting of two rules that officials will be strictly enforcing this year.

With wrestlers coming both both sides of the Ohio River, there are some differing rules.

Wrestlers will not be permitted to lower the straps of their singlets anywhere on the arena floor per W.Va. rules. Those caught doing so will have a team point deducted from their school.

The other stipulation set forth deals with competitors with long hair. All wrestlers with long hair will be required to wear a manufactured headgear that is connected.

Headgear cannot be homemade. No exceptions, Welker stressed. Those individuals not abiding will be disqualified.

Several Awards to be Given

A handful of special awards will be presented during tonight's festivities. A new addition is the awarding of last year's Coach of the Year in each division.

Opening Prayer

Devon McDonald, a former Notre Dame and Indianapolis Colts player, will deliver the opening prayer. He is CEO of Sports World Ministries, which is affiliated with the OVAC.

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Mats well preserved this weekend at OVAC

By SETH STASKEY
Times Leader Sports Editor

STEUBENVILLE — The 62nd annual Ron Mauck OVAC Wrestling Tournament opens tonight at 6:30.

Throughout the majority of the event, no fewer than eight mats will be utilized.

The majority of the crowd's attention will be focused squarely on the wrestling action, but a quick glance to the corners will offer up an interesting look.

The long-term viability of the mats is help preserved through the help of the corner rugs that are supplied by Smitty's

Floors, which is owned and operated by Michael Smith, a former OVAC wrestling standout.

"It's a fun business because it's kept me involved in the sport of wrestling," Smith said. "It's awesome for me because I'm able to merge my two worlds together."

The use of the corner rugs actually started in 2003 when Ron Mauck approached Smith about the possibility of creating the rugs for the NCAA Division II Tournament, which was being staged in Wheeling.

After that tournament, however, the rugs basically went into storage and Smith

never explored branching it out into part of his business.

"They kept using those at the OVACs since the NCAA Tournament and each year I'd go back down there and kept thinking how nice they looked," Smith said. "It really dresses up the mat and the tournament."

The purpose of the rugs are to preserve the mats, so as coaches sit in their competitors' corners in the day-long events the chair legs don't press into mats, leaving lasting marks on the mats.

Prior to the rugs, some would use cut tennis balls on the legs of the chairs or

come up with something else.

"I just really started to see the market for these and in the last few years they've really taken off," Smith said.

Over the course of the last few years, Smith has sold corner rugs to places as far away as Texas and California. His rugs have also become the official corner rug of the U.S. Open Tournament in Cleveland.

Other major wrestling events where the corner rugs have been utilized are things such as World Team Trials, FLOW Nationals and many state high school tournaments around the country.

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"The whole thing came to my mind with me being a flooring and wrestling guru and seeing tennis balls and old, beat up carpets has led to these rugs being used at basically all of the top tournaments in the country," Smith said. "It's awesome to see how much class (the rugs) instantly add to a tournament."

Along with preserving the mats, the rugs also aid the officials because they're color coordinated to the anklet each wrestler is wearing.

Smith has also started branching out and doing the rugs in school colors, too.

"I just took flooring

"I JUST took flooring knowledge and wrestling to create a product for the wrestling world."

— MICHAEL SMITH
Smitty's Floors

knowledge and wrestling to create a product for the wrestling world," Smith explained. "It's a fun business and most of all, it feels good to be my own thumb print on the wrestling world."

Smith, who started his business in 1998 "accidentally out of the back of his van," attends many of the

top tournaments around the country, marketing his product and it's been well received.

On top of giving back to the wrestling world through the corner rugs, Smith still operates the Smitty's Sportatorium and is in the process of expanding it.

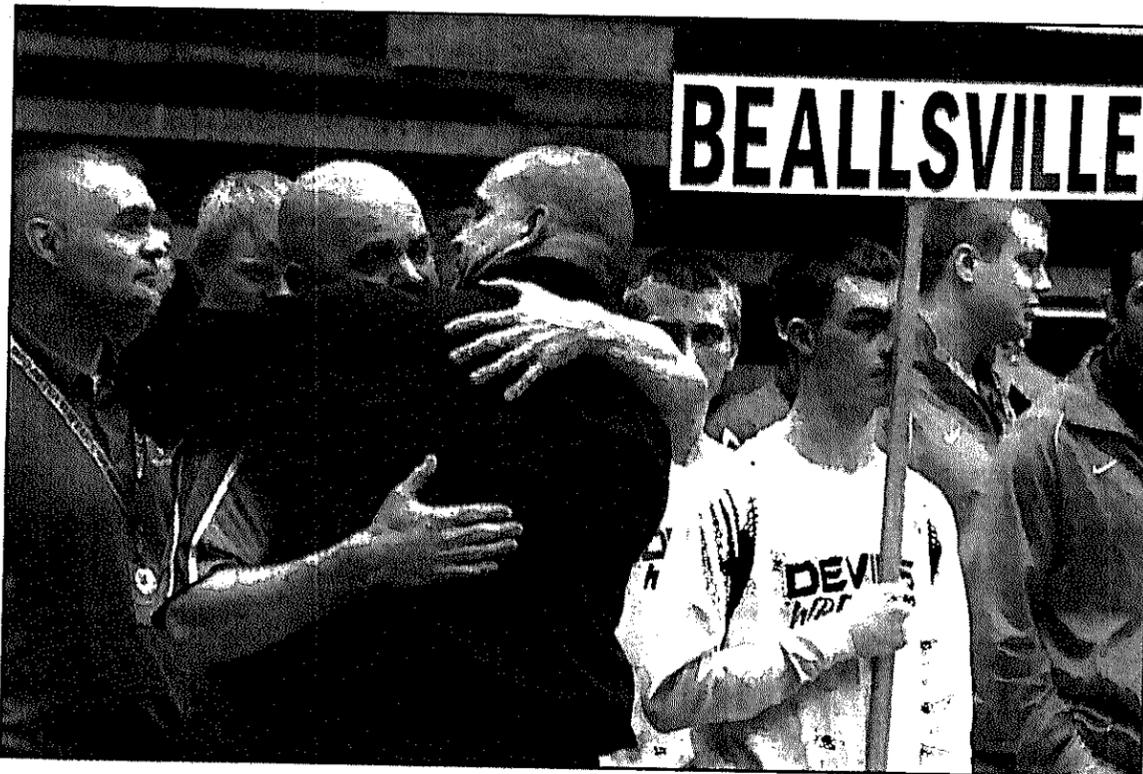
"Our entire goal is to continue to give kids an outlet to continue to work on and improve their skills," Smith said. "We will offer things for a ton of different sports, too. It's not just for wrestling."

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OVAC Wrestling



FORMER BEALLSVILLE wrestling coach Sgt. David Wiles was unable to coach the Blue Devils squad due to deployment in the United States Army but was able to return to lead the team onto the floor during opening ceremonies of the 62nd annual Ron Mauck OVAC Wrestling Tournament. Seen here getting a hug from wrestling official Shane Kildow, it was a very emotional evening for Wiles.

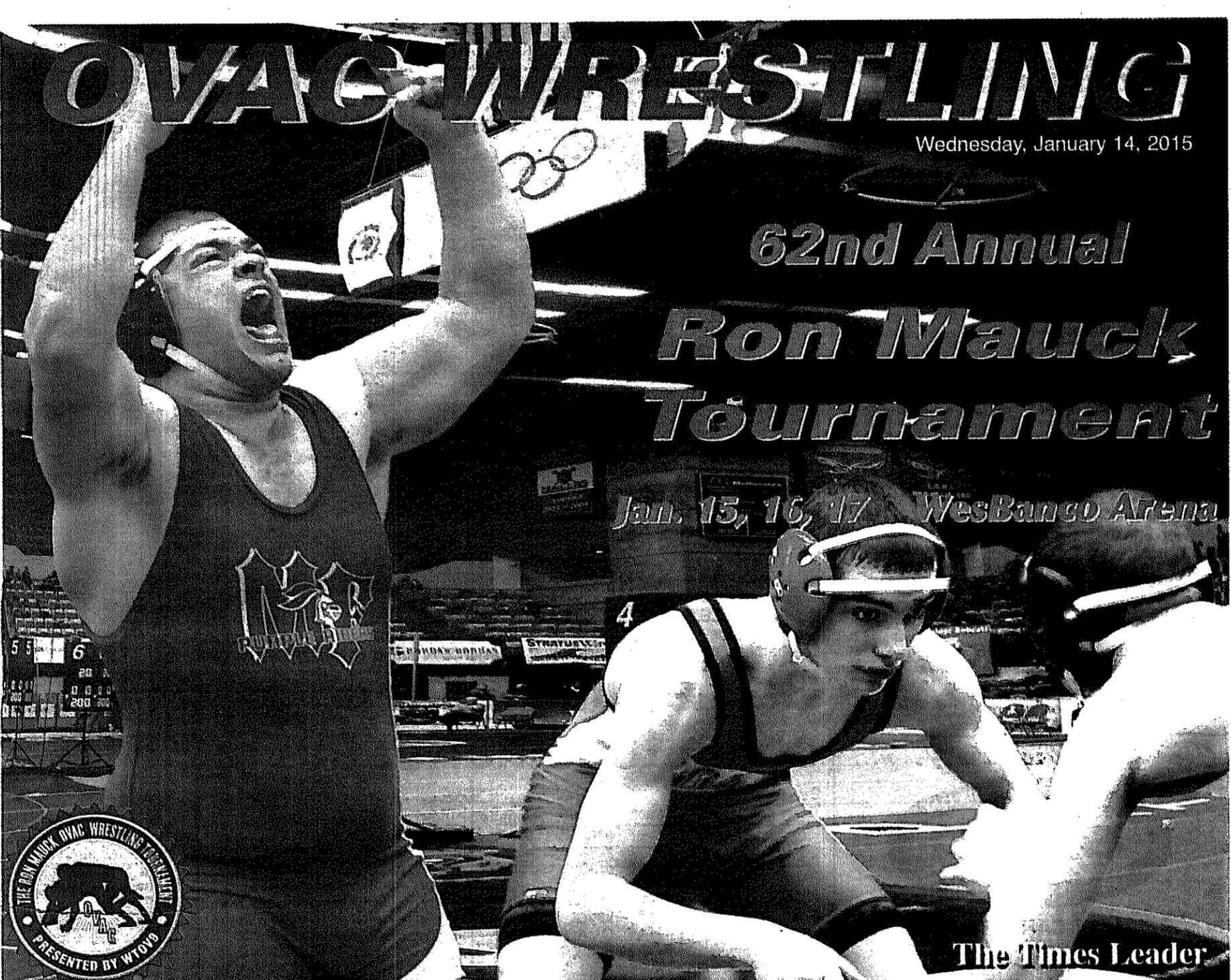
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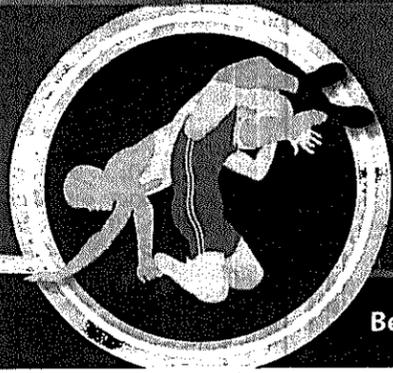
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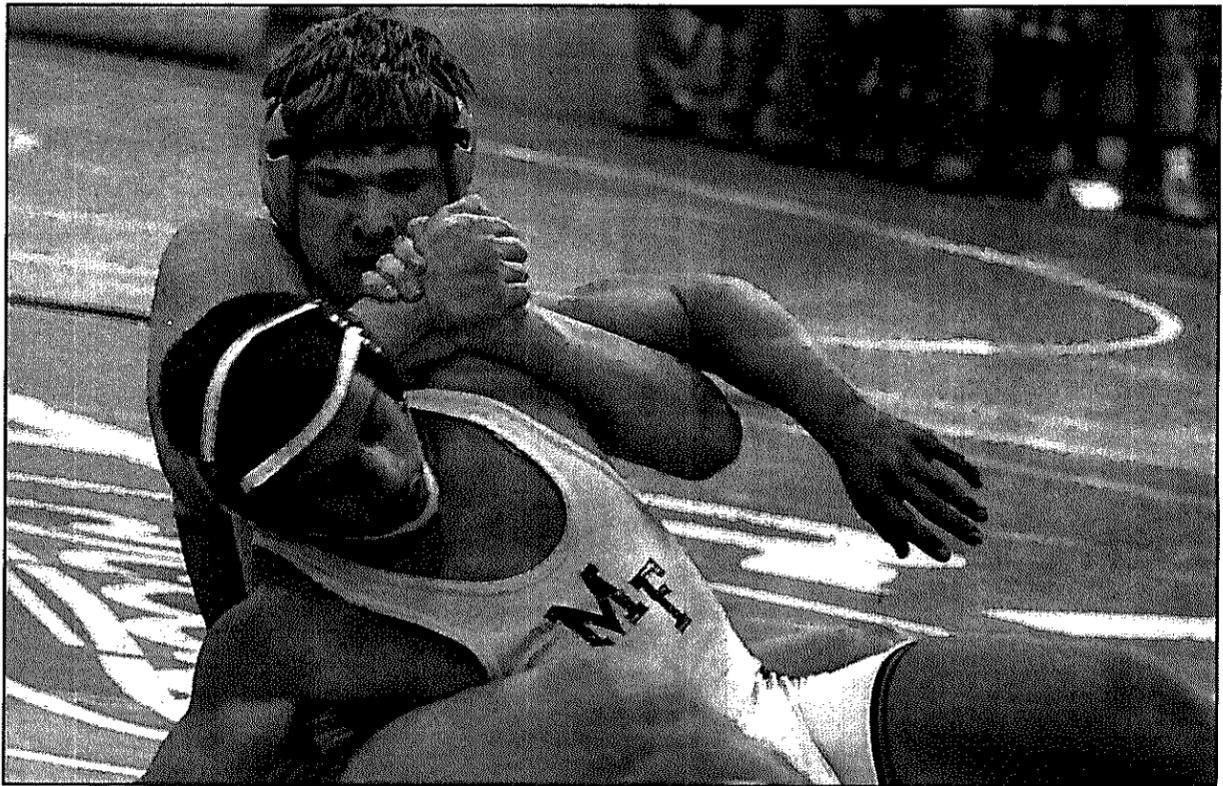
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ON THE COVER

TWO OF the premier senior wrestlers from the area are pictured. At left is Martins Ferry senior Jonathan Bodkin, who is a defending champion at 285 pounds. At right is Monroe Central's Rodney Richter, who is undefeated on the season and a multiple-time placer in the tourney.

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Note to Readers ...

Due to our deadline, complete coverage of Saturday night's finals will be contained on our website (timesleaderonline.com) and then also in Monday's edition. Results can be found all weekend after each round on our website as well.

BARNESVILLE'S Hobie Howler controls Martins Ferry's Bryce Coleman during a match earlier this season. Howler will be one of the Shamrocks to watch in this weekend's 62nd annual Ron Mauck OVAC Wrestling Tournament, which opens Thursday at WesBanco Arena in Wheeling.

Barnesville's lineup starting to come together at the right time

By RICK THORP
Times Leader Sports Writer

BARNESVILLE — While the Ron Mauck OVAC Championship is certainly an important part of the season, Barnesville head coach Jayson Stephen sees the annual wrestling staple as a stepping stone to greater fortunes.

"The season is going good," he said "but I feel it will be better when we get everybody in the right weight.

"The goal is to be healthy, strong and prepared for the end of the year, which is sectionals, districts and state."

Don't mistake Stephen, though. He's certainly keyed in on this week's OVAC as an important step in his squad's development.

"I have several kids that should place at decent spots" he said. "It's up to them to get to where they need to be."

With only two seniors and a plethora of younger

wrestlers — including five freshmen — Stephen said walking into WesBanco Arena for the opening ceremony can be somewhat intimidating.

"I try to tell the kids that, even though it's a large tournament, not to make a big deal about it," he said. "Walking out there will be a bit of a shock for some of those guys."

"Not having a full team and having some young kids ... we always want to do well as a team, but as

individuals, you need to take care of yourselves first and the team success will come together after that."

So far, Stephen is pleased with how his team has performed.

"We're doing OK," he said. "I've had a few guys out, so we're starting to get them in the right places. It could be going a bit better, but everyone could be saying that."

Collin Wilson and Ronnie Purdue are the two senior leaders for the Shamrocks.

Wilson (120) is 9-0 and two-time district qualifier. He finished first at St. Clairsville's Best Value Inn Invitational and didn't have a point scored on him.

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John Marshall expects to compete well again

By RICK THORP
Times Leader Sports Writer

MOUNDSVILLE — When one thinks of John Marshall, wrestling success is one of the things that immediately comes to mind.

Starting with the days of legendary head coach Bill Hinegardner, the Monarchs have been a force on the mat, not only in the OVAC, but in West Virginia's big school division.

John Marshall can always be counted on to have some sort of showing on the podium at the OVACs. And this year's Ron Mauck OVAC Championship, which begins Thursday, should be no exception.

"John Marshall has, traditionally, had a pretty good team, and we always seem to excel at the OVACs and it's typically as a team," Monarchs head coach Ted Zervos said. "Over the course of the last year and this year, though, it's been based on a couple of indi-

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- Ted Zervos
John Marshall Head Coach

viduals.

"We haven't really had the overall team strength over the last couple of years, but teams are going to have those transition years where they're developing a youthful group, and that's where we've been over the course of the past two years."

JM has every weight class filled for this week's 62nd annual event inside WesBanco Arena in downtown Wheeling, except 170.

"I've seen a lot of positives taking place throughout the course of this season," Zervos pointed out. "We're getting better and it's a nice group to work

with. I enjoy going to practices every day. They have a good work ethic. I have a few individuals that can do well if their seeds are put in a good place in the bracket."

One of those wrestlers is 160-pounder Casey Mowder.

The team's only senior, Mowder is 27-0 and is chasing his first OVAC crown. He reached the podium during his freshman and sophomore seasons at 113 and 132 pounds, respectively, but missed out on an opportunity last season after injuring his elbow a week into practice.

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"He's a good person, as well as a good wrestler," Stephen said. "Collin was out at the beginning of the year because of a football injury but is back and doing very well. I feel he will do very well at the OVACs as well as the end of the year, which is what his goal is."

Purdue is 7-5 and was third at St. Clairsville.

Junior Hobie Howler (160) stands 10-1 and is a two-time OVAC placer (fifth, 2014; third, 2013) and two-time district qualifier. He was first at St. Clairsville and second at the Barnesville Invitational.

"He's a good, physical, strong and technical wrestler," Stephen said. "I think he can do very well at

the OVACs and at the end of the year."

At 11-3, junior Taylor Griffin (138) placed third at Barnesville and fifth at St. Clairsville.

He was a district qualifier his freshman year.

"He is a good, physical wrestler," Stephen said.

"He works hard and doesn't quit. He was another one that had a football injury, so he had to miss a little time at the beginning of this season. Taylor just needs to stay healthy."

Sophomore Cade Bunfill (195) is 19-1.

He's finished first at the Best Value and Rick Link, and second at the Shamrocks' own event. His only loss came at the hands

of Coshocton's Dom Johns.

"He's a hard worker and has a drive to be a great wrestler," Stephen said. "Cade should do very well at the OVACs and at the end of the year"

Another sophomore, Ward Plumly, will compete at 182. He started the year at 220.

Freshmen in the mix for Barnesville are Brayden Reynolds (106), Braydn Strous (126), Chase Hickman (145), Austin Chambers (170) and Tyler Morgan (285).

The Shamrocks will have no entrants at 106 and 113.

Stephen is assisted by Rick Milhoan and Brian Jefferis.



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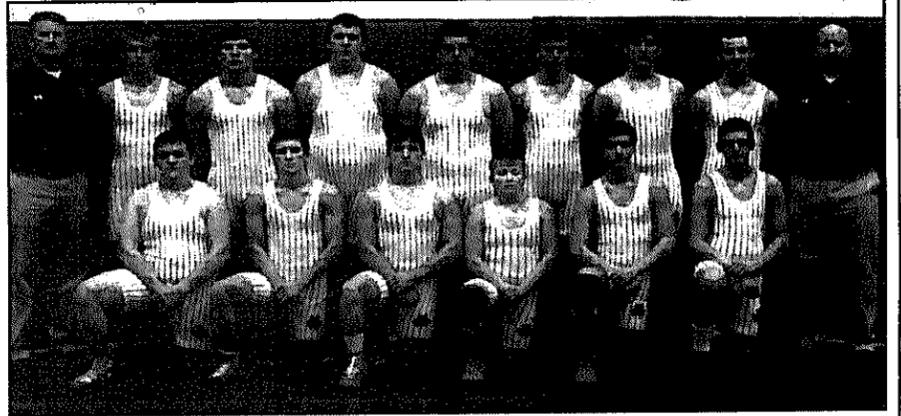


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PICTURED IS the 2014-15 Barnesville wrestling team. Front row, from left, are Ward Plumly, Collin Wilson, Hobie Howler, Brayden Reynolds, Braydn Strous and Kevin Perdue. Back row, from left, are head coach Jayson Stephen, Chase Hickman, Cade Bunfill, Tyler Morgan, Ronnie Perdue, Taylor Griffin, Austin Chambers, D.J. Weldy, assistant coach Rick Milhoan.

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Daugherty now leading Beallsville

By MIKE PALMER
Times Leader Staff Writer

BEALLSVILLE — Former Beallsville assistant wrestling coach Ron Daugherty is the new head coach for the Blue Devils, replacing Ted Bier.

Assisting this year will be Beallsville graduate and member of last year's

wrestling team, Aaron West.

The goal for the Blue Devils when they take to the mats at the 62nd annual Ron Mauck OVAC Wrestling Tournament Thursday at WesBanco Arena is to send someone onto the mats for the finals Saturday evening.

"Everyone's pretty excit-

ed to have the opportunity to wrestle in the OVACs," Daugherty said. "I think we have a couple wrestlers who can place this year."

The Blue Devils lost five wrestlers to graduation and some to injury, but will still enter a roster of seven wrestlers this weekend, including Courtney Vance, a first year member of the

program who came over from girls basketball to join the program.

Vance, a sophomore, is competing for the 160 pound slot against Levi Phillips and has wrestled at 170 pounds this season.

"We would like to have her at 152 pounds for the OVAC, but either way the weight class is going to be a tough one for her."

The coach said that although she is still learning the sport and has not been able to win a wrestle off she has four wins this season.

"She says wrestling is more fun than basketball, and I can't argue with logic like that," Daugherty said.

During the course of this season, the Blue Devils have taken part in the Union Local, Barnesville and Shadyside Invationals. Beallsville's 113 pound Zach Raines has placed in all three tournaments.

"Zach is wrestling really well and was fourth at Union Local and Shadyside and won the consolation

bracket at Barnesville to place third," the coach explained.

Zach Raines owns a 12-6 record and Beallsville is counting on the senior to be the team leader for this weekend's tournament.

Filling the 126 pound weight class is freshman Dallas Raines. With a record of 6-11, the younger Raines has not placed in tournaments, but has improved as the season progressed.

Another senior leader is Zac Daugherty. The 132-pound entry boasts a 13-6 season mark and is wrestling another weight class where the Blue Devils are hoping for success.

"Zac is really wrestling at his best level all year," the coach commented.

"We think he can be a dominant wrestler in the 132 pound weight class for us."

Phillips, the 160 pound entry for the Blue Devils has a record of 10-8 on the season.

"We expect Levi to have a good showing for us at the tournament, he will bring his A game and should impress some people out there."

Cody Potts is sitting at 5-8 on the season and wrestling at 220 pounds for Beallsville.

The 285 pound slot is filled by David Taylor. With a record of 7-6, the heavyweight has several fifth-place finishes on the season and is another hopeful placer for the Blue Devils.

"We are working towards a little continuity," Daugherty said. "We may not be able to get anyone seeded, but we anticipate getting some of our wrestlers onto the podium this year."

After the OVAC and prior to the OHSAA post-season, the Blue Devils will take part in the Brooke Classic and host their annual Beallsville Tournament on February 7.



Photo/PAUL KRAJNYAK
PICTURED IS the 2014-15 Beallsville wrestling team. Front row, from left, are David Taylor, Cody Potts, Dallas Raines, Luke Craig, Casey Hill and Dustin Schmidt. Second row, from left, are assistant coach Brad Bilyeu, Zack Raines, Zac Daugherty, Ernie Van Dyne, assistant coach Ron Daugherty, Mark Schaefer, Levi Brown and coach Aaron West.

2014 Ron Mauck OVAC Tournament Results

<p>OVERALL TEAM SCORING: 1. Parkersburg South 264.5; 2. Wheeling Park 209.5; 3. Steubenville 200; 4. Oak Glen 139; 5. Beaver Local 134; 6. University 120; 7. Cambridge 109.5; 8. Steubenville Central 102; 9. East Liverpool 97; 10. Caldwell 92.5; 11. Martins Ferry 80; 12. Morgantown 79; 13. Harrison Central 77; 14. Shadyside 72.5; 15. John Marshall 72; 16. Meadowbrook 70; 17. Linsly 69; 18. Toronto 65.5; 19. Union Local 65; 20. Magnolia 57.5; 21. St. Clairsville 56.5; 22. Edison 55.5; 23. Brooke 53; 24. Monroe Central 50; 25. Indian Creek 45; 26. Bellaire 43.5; 27. Wellsville 42; 28. River 40.5; 29. Barnesville 38; 30. Cameron 31; 31. Buckeye Local 28; 32. Bridgeport 27; 33. Weir 18; 34. Shenandoah 16; 35. Beallsville 14; 36. Madonna 11; 37. Clay-Ballala 8; 38. Tyler Consolidated 7.</p> <p>CLASS 5-A Parkersburg South 264.5; Wheeling Park 209.5; Beaver Local 134; University 120; Cambridge 109.5; Morgantown 79; John Marshall 72; Edison 55.5; Brooke 53; Indian Creek 45</p> <p>CLASS 4-A Steubenville 200; Oak Glen 139; East Liverpool 97; Martins Ferry 80; Harrison Central 77; Meadowbrook 70; Union Local 65; St. Clairsville 56.5; Buckeye Local 28; Weir 18</p> <p>CLASS 3-A Steubenville Catholic Central 102; Linsly 69; Magnolia 57.5; Monroe Central 50; Bellaire 43.5; Barnesville 38; Shenandoah 16; Tyler, 7</p> <p>CLASS 1 & 2-A Caldwell 92.5; Shadyside 72.5; Toronto 65.5; Wellsville 42; River 40.5; Cameron 31; Bridgeport 27; Beallsville 14; Madonna 11; Clay-Ballala 8.</p>	<p>CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS 106—Alex Potts (EL) d. Greg Quinn (Shady), 4-2 113—Tariq Wilson (Steub) p. Wyke (OG), 2:14 120—Dallas Baclak (WP) d. Dakota Golf (Steub), 8-6 126—Tyler Jenkins (Mead) d. Jason Keyes (BvL), 10-4 132—Isiah Hood (U) d. Bobby Stewart (UL), 3-1 138—Kameron Rayner (Cald) d. Hamlin (U), 4-3 145—Hunter DeLong (PS) d. Bailey Jenkins (Mead), 6-1 152—Jonny Davis (WP) md. Ryan Lopez (U), 18-9 160—Eric Banks (WF) p. Myliek Green (Bell), 6-5, sudden death OT 170—Leo Hermann (SCC) p. Brandon Jones (Steub), 2:28 182—Justin Altman (PS) d. Mitchell Wells (E), 6-2 195—John Miscuk (EL) d. Isaac Sanford (SCC), 9-5 220—Jeremy Paige (WP) p. Seth Bloor (Well), 3:27 285—Jonathan Bodkin (MF) d. Chukwuodi Chukwu (L), 3-1</p> <p>THIRD-FOURTH PLACE 106—Curtin (L) d. Cline (PS), 7-1 113—Parsons (WP) d. Dawson (BvL), 5-4 120—Nangle (PS) d. Richter (MC), 5-0 126—Harris (PS) d. Cornell (OG), 4-2 132—Pizzino (HC) d. Hubbard (Steub), 2-1 138—Hasson (BvL) d. Hall (JM), 3-0 145—Taylor (WF) md. Hickenbottom (Camb), 14-2 152—Alexander (PS) d. Moray (Steub), 4-2 160—Bal (U) d. Fox (Camb), 4-3 170—Dixon (PS) p. Lowery (T), 3:32</p>	<p>182—Nice (Mag) d. Wotring (Morg), 3-1 OT 195—Koreski (PS) d. Albertson (Steub), 3-1 220—Furbee (STC) d. Ebert (JM), 5-2 285—Wise (BvL) d. Hall (PS), 2-1</p> <p>FIFTH-SIXTH PLACE 106—Debee (OG) p. Ball (Camb), 4:01 113—White (HC) d. Hague (IC), 3-1 120—Wood (Cam) d. Kahl (Shady), 4-3 126—Oler (EL) d. Singleton (Barn), 4-2 132—Flowers (OG) p. Lambotte (PS), 1:58 138—Howler (Barn) d. Tice (OG), 4-2 145—Livingston (Steub) d. Kahl (Shady), 4-2 152—Coleman (MF) d. Scuders (Camb), 7-3 160—Gandee (PS) d. Barber (BvL) 170—Sokolowski (BvL) d. Smith (R), 7-4 182—Mercer (Camb) p. Borden (SCC), 1:43 195—Myers (WP) p. Rosen (R), 4:11 220—Dilliner (PS) d. Oparanozie (L), 7-5 285—Martsoli (BvL) d. Popkowski (Steub), 3-1</p> <p>SEVENTH-EIGHTH PLACE 106—Bockman (BvL) d. Campbell (MF), 4-1 113—Bertrand (JM) d. Nice (Mag), 3-2 OT 120—Wiley (Cald) p. Starkey (Tor), 4:18 126—Fornstor (HC) d. Gaydos (IC), 3-0 132—Rayner (Cald) d. Kiedrowski (SCC), 2-1 138—Windband (PS) d. DiGandomenico (WP), 7-5 OT 145—Wise (MF) d. Sowers (UL), 5-2 152—Lawrence (Morg) p. Crosby (SCC), 2:07 160—Skaggs (STC) p. Deffenbaugh (Steub), 3:18 170—Wotring (Morg) by forfeit over Pahouncis (Camb) 182—Howes (HC) d. Doll (Brk), 6-3 195—Fisher (JM) p. Leggett (E), 2:02 220—Potts (MC) d. Maurin (Morg), 3-1 285—Rucker (Cald) d. Davidson (Well), 5-1</p>
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Bellaire's rebuilding job continues under Nicola

By RICK THORP
Times Leader Sports Writer

BELLAIRE — Mick Nicola is in the midst of a rebuilding job with the Bellaire High School wrestling program.

The second-year head coach admits the sport has been, at times, a tough sell to prospective athletes. At the same time, though, it's been rewarding.

"It's been frustrating at times," he admitted, adding he's had to scour the halls of the school eyeing prospective talent.

"Sometimes wrestling isn't fun. If it was easy then everyone would do it. But with repetition and a good mindset, anything is possible. Those that work hard and are true at heart will always succeed.

And despite having only eight grapplers entered in this week's Ron Mauck OVAC Championships, Nicola has high hopes for two of them — Austin McConville and Dylan Marling.

"We are hoping they can come through with a few big wins this season," Nicola said. "They understand that it is going to take three days of full on wrestling to take a placement spot."

McConville, honored statewide for his prowess as a defensive player on the Big Reds' football team, is 12-6. The 160-pounder finished first at the Best Value Inn Invitational in St. Clairsville just after Christmas, and also has fourth-place showings at the Barnesville and Rick Link invitationals.

"He's grown tremendously," Nicola said of McConville, Bellaire's lone senior. "And it's all on him.

He's one of the hardest-working, respectful individuals that I've been around."

As for Marling, a junior who sports a 9-8 mark, Nicola said he continues to progress and has the will and desire to win.

"He's finally realizing how hard you have to push your body and pay attention and follow the rules and guidelines in the wrestling world to be good at the sport," he said. "I think it's

finally hitting his brain about coming in and being motivated every day for practice and being ready to work hard."

Marling's signature victory this season came at the Best Value Inn Invite, where he finished fourth.

"They're very quick learners and smart," Nicola said of McConville and Marling. "So, that's why their winning percentage has risen so much the last

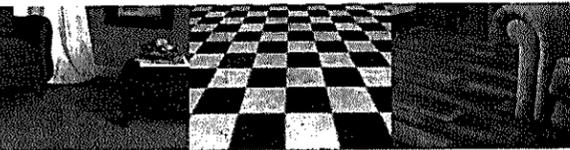
two years.

"It wasn't too hard to see who were going to be the leaders of the team this year. Our expectations are to have one or two of those guys come away with some

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PICTURED IS the 2014-15 Bellaire wrestling team. Front row, from left, are coaches Josh Davis, Zack Kosky, head coach Mic Nicola and Justin Myers. Standing, from left, are Dylan Marling, Nate Wilhelm, Grant Gheen, Chase Masters, Austin McConville, Todd Morris, Gabriel Monge, Steven Krupa, John Price, Cody Treadway and Brett Berberich.



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Buckeye making steady progress

By RICK DeLUCA
Times Leader Sports Writer

CONNORVILLE — Buckeye Local wrestling has had its ups and downs in recent years, just as so many high school teams in so many sports throughout the Ohio Valley have endured. While numbers have an effect on other sports, wrestling is one team sport that relies on individuals.

Panther head coach Guy Nestor, a former Buckeye Local wrestler himself, knows that producing winners in the sport, sometimes equates to numbers.

This season, Buckeye has run into its share problems filling the lower weight classes, but hasn't taken a backseat to anyone in the upper middleweights.

"We're coming along," Nestor said of his current bunch. "We have a lot of freshmen and sophomores and a lot of them are just first and second year wrestlers."

"They are starting to show signs of getting better," he added. "There is still a lot of matches for these guys to go through and they will keep wrestling better. The deeper we get

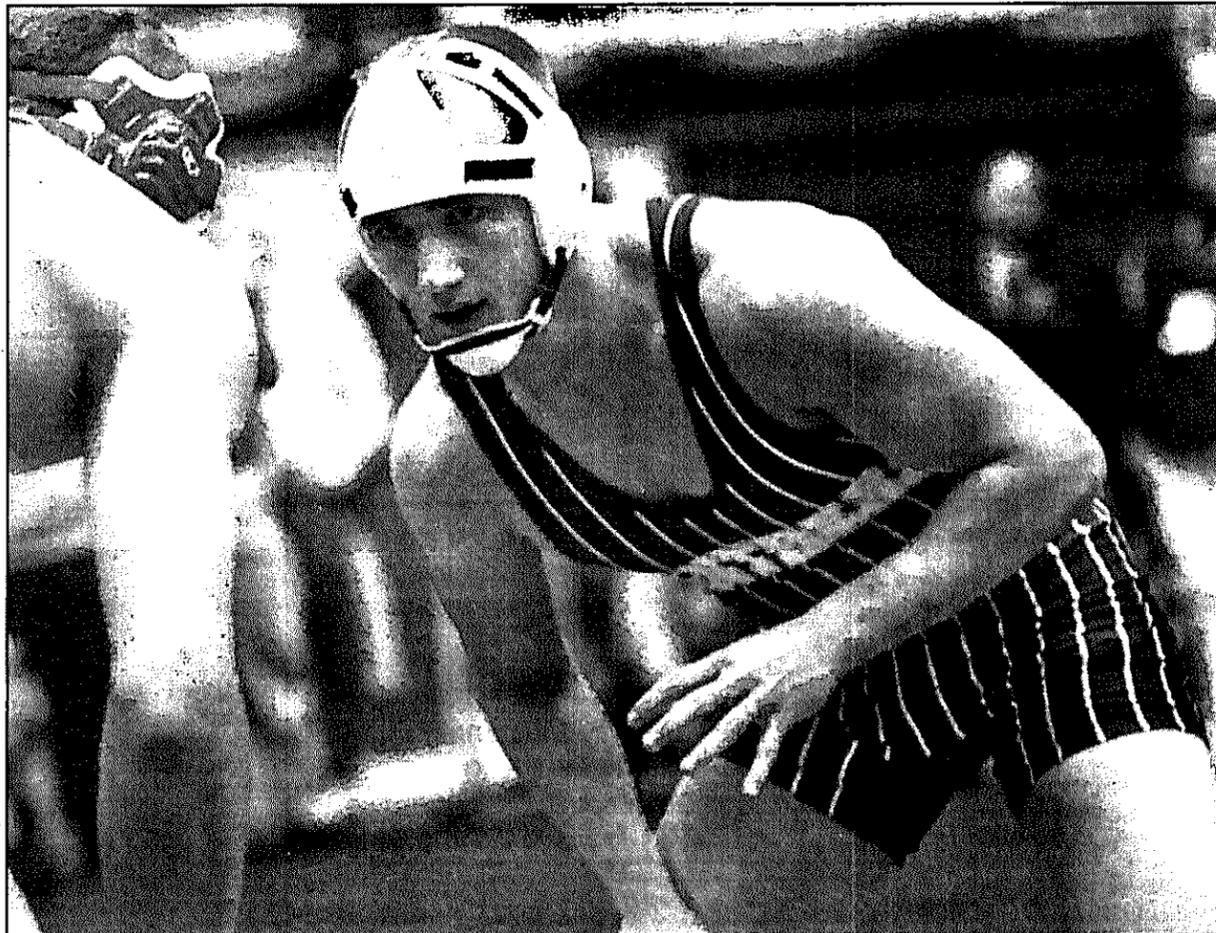
into the schedule, the better they will get and they should do well come time for the sectionals."

After the OVAC tourney, the Panthers will have duals with St. Clairsville and Meadowbrook and will wrestle in the Division II Regional 12-A match on January 27th. They will also contend in the Brooke Classic and host their own Panther Classic.

"Our kids will wrestle upwards of 40 matches before the season is over and that will give them a lot of experience," Nestor said. "We also have a good group of eighth graders coming up, but we have the same issue there. That group has a lot of first and second time wrestlers."

"A school our size should have 18-20 wrestlers at this level, not the 12 that we have," he said. "But we're facing the same issues a lot of other schools are also facing with a low turnout."

An overall OVAC champion twice in the 90s under then head coach Dan Doyle, Buckeye finished in 31st place last season in the tourney, but hopes to improve on that this year with a trio of talented wrestlers returning.



T-L File Photo/MIKE PALMER

BUCKEYE LOCAL senior Josh Sokolowski is a returning OVAC placer at 170 pounds. He's dropped to 160 for this season and currently owns a 19-2 record. He's expected to be one of the top entrants at this weekend's Ron Mauck OVAC Wrestling Tournament.

Buckeye returns one OVAC place finisher from a year ago in senior Josh Sokolowski. The senior grappler placed third at 170 last season in the OVAC tournament and will likely be one of the top seeds in his weight class this year.

"I really think Josh can win (the OVAC tournament), this year," Nestor said about his four-year letterman who has recorded 106 wins in his career. "He is really dialed in. I think this year he is mentally there more than ever."

Wrestling at 160, Sokolowski, currently stands at 19-2 on the sea-

son, placed first in the Shadyside Invitational in early January. He placed second at the 25-team North Coast Tournament at Independence High School in mid-December, losing a tough 8-2 decision to Greenburg Salem's Zach Mattucci in the finals. In the Rick Link Invitational at Union Local, Sokolowski garnered another runnerup finish. He wrestled at 160 in all three competitions.

Heading into the Buckeye 8 tournament, the Panthers were sitting on a 1-4 dual match record. Buckeye topped Steubenville Central, 57-

30, while losing matches to Edison, 43-18, Linsly, 54-24, Harrison Central, 50-30 and Indian Creek, 56-36.

Buckeye has a history of wrestling in some top-notch tournaments and this season, placed 18th in the 25-team North Coast Tournament, eighth at Shadyside and 10th in the Rick Link Invitational.

At Shadyside, the Panthers top three wrestlers performed well. Aside from Sokolowski's finish, Buckeye had another champion at 182 with junior Tristan Jones and a fourth place finish at 152 with junior Ryan Morrow. Both

three-year letterwinners, Jones holds a 16-5 record this year and Morrow has put together a 12-10 record.

At North Coast, Buckeye Local has top finishers in Sokolowski, Jones closing out in fourth and Morrow adding a 10th place finish.

Sokolowski and Jones were the only place finishers in the Rick Link tourney. Aside from Sokolowski's runnerup finish, Jones added a third place finish. Jones is another Panther wrestler that Nestor has high hopes for in the OVAC. The Buckeye coach pointed out that Jones

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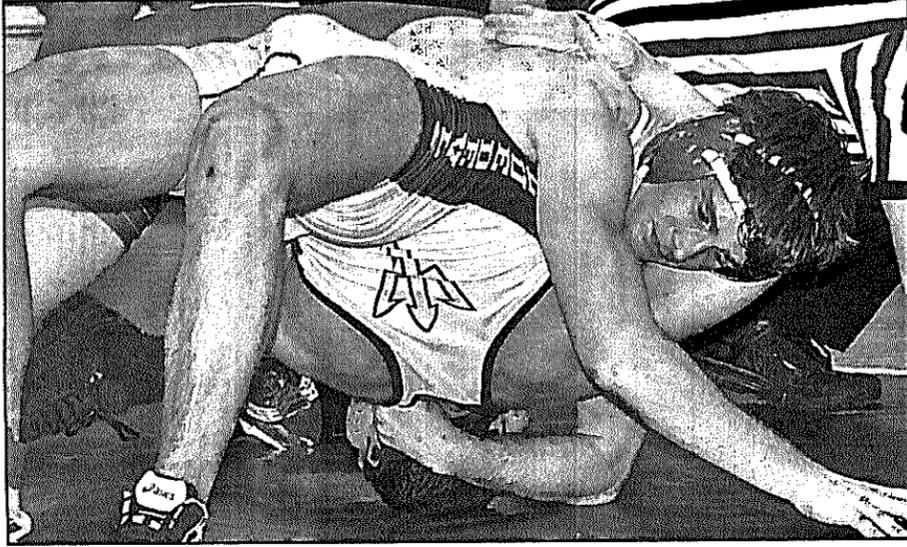
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T-L Photo/KIM NORTH

BELLAIRE'S Austin McConville works toward a pin en route to the championship at the America's Best Value Inn Tournament at St. Clairsville last month.

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big wins in some big matches. They will have to wrestle tough for three days straight and for six minutes each match."

A strong showing would be a big boost to the program, in general, Nicola acknowledged.

"Championship bouts would be spectacular if they were to reach that level," he said. "Our hopes for those two are that they can go out each match, wrestle a solid six minutes, use proper technique and the winning will follow. Be ready, intense and committed when that whistle blows."

Nicola said the leadership McConville and Marling have provided to the other six wrestlers has been immeasurable.

In addition to Marling, the Big Reds have three other juniors on the roster - Cody Tredway (170), John Price (195) and Todd Morris (285).

Nathan Wilhelm (132) is the squad's lone sophomore. Brett Berberich (106) and Chase Masters (145) are the freshmen.

All eight got a jump start on a tournament-like atmosphere last weekend at the Buckeye 8 Championships.

"The eight wrestlers I do have have been working very hard," he said. "Their records are a bit deceiving. They are truly working hard. It takes time. As long as they keep working hard and stick with that ... the No. 1 thing is to not get frustrated. That is the one thing that can kill you. It will eventually come around for us. We have a strong junior high contingent coming up."

Nicola is assisted by Zack Kosky, Justin Myers and Josh Davis.

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could also come home with the gold this year.

While Buckeye has had trouble filling the three lower weight classes this season, it has been successful in competing in the other weights.

Buckeye will not have a wrestler at 106, 113 and 285 in the OVAC tourney. Nestor has two freshmen grappling in the lower weights with John Marelli

(3-15) at 120 and Dalton Barnes at 126.

Two sophomores and a junior fill the next three classes with sophomore Danny Callarik at 132, junior Kyle Mason (7-8) at 138 and sophomore Jason Binkiewicz at 145.

Morrow will wrestle at 152, Sokolowski at 160 and sophomore Wyatt Cornish at 170. Jones will battle at 182.

Nestor has two at the heavy weights in sophomore Reese Johnson at 195 and senior John Cook at 220. Both have wrestled at a higher weight during the season.

Nestor's staff has a strong Buckeye Local feel to it with assistants Mike Wilt and Mike Slaga, both highly successful wrestlers during their prep days at Buckeye.



BUCKEYE LOCAL PANTHERS

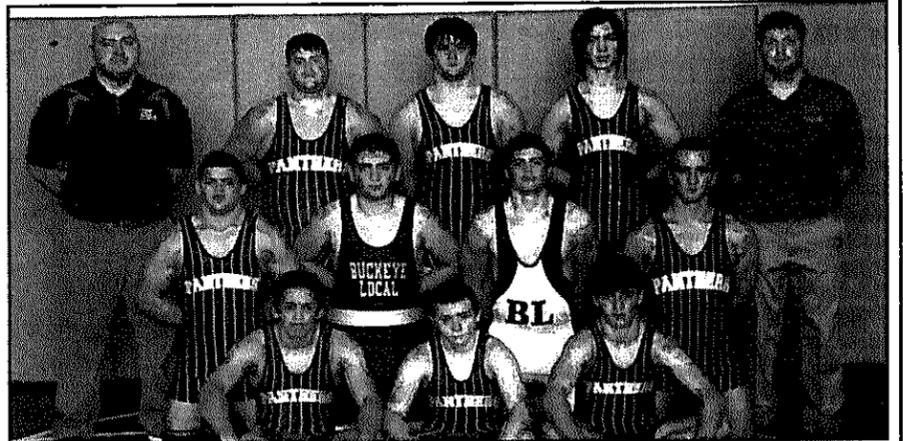


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Bridgeport boasts little experience

• Bulldogs led by Kusic at 182 pounds

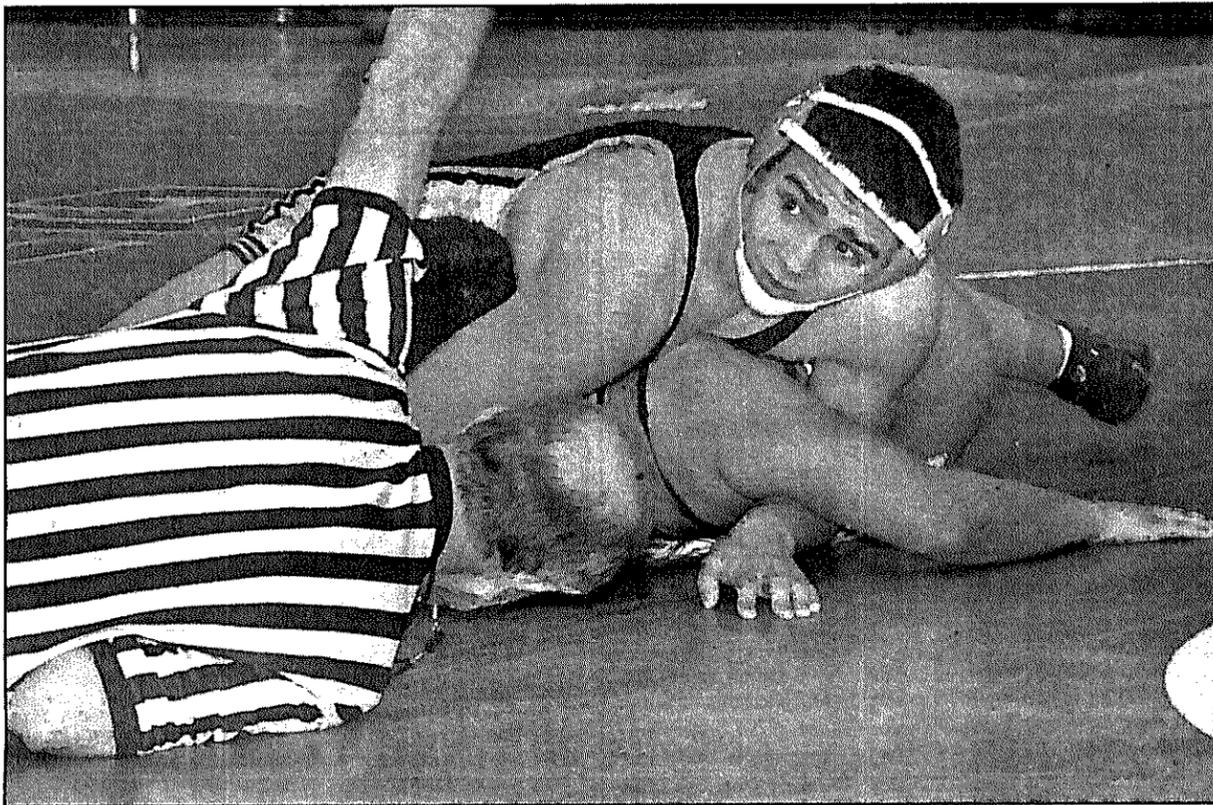
By KIM NORTH
Times Leader Sports Writer

BRIDGEPORT — Bridgeport was the talk of the first day during last year's Ron Mauck Ohio Valley Athletic Conference wrestling tournament as all four of the Bulldogs' entrants won by pins.

Although none of the four were able to reach the podium, the performance brought back memories of Bridgeport's hey-days.

However, head coach David Nelson realizes that a year can make quite a difference with graduation and all.

"This year's team is different than the team that we had last year. Last year, we came in with a lot of experience with two seniors and a sophomore with varsity experience," Nelson recalled.



BRIDGEPORT junior Carlos Kusic works toward a pin during a tournament last month. Kusic will be one of the top Bulldog entrants at this weekend's 62nd annual Ron Mauck OVAC Wrestling Tournament. He comes in with an 11-6 record.

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"This year, we have one junior with two years varsity experience in Carlos Kusic, a sophomore and five freshman who are wrestling at the high school level for the first time.

"Our numbers are growing, but it is going to take a couple years to gain the experience because we are very young," Nelson added. "I do not think that we will be able to accomplish what we did last year on Day 1.

The records of some of the younger wrestlers will not get them very favorable first round matchups."

Bridgeport will compete in half of the 14 weight classes.

The lineup consists of junior Carlos Kusic (182); sophomore Caleb Nelson (145); and freshmen Elliott Dean (126), Paul Coen (138), Ronald Hundley (195), Noah Murr (220) and Levi Bryant (285).

"Carlos has the best opportunity to place this year" Coach Nelson said. "He was a win away last year from placing. Carlos has wrestled close matches against some high-caliber wrestlers, but has just not been able to finish.

"I expect him to start finishing those close matches and beating the better guys to place at the OVAC tournament."

Kusic, who won two consolation round matches during last year's OVACs, was fourth last week at Shadyside's Last Man Standing Tournament. He is 11-6 this season and 44-31 for his career.

"Elliott has struggled in a tough 126-pound weight class this year," Coach Nelson said.

"He has also battled injuries.

"We expect him to be

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Monroe looking to achieve its goals

By **SETH STASKEY**
Times Leader Sports Editor

WOODSFIELD — When the Monroe Central wrestling team opened practice in November, second-year head coach Robert Muntz had his 11 wrestlers write down their goals — both individually and for the team.

A strong performance at the 62nd annual Ron Mauck OVAC Wrestling Tournament showed up on each and every sheet.

The time has arrived for the Seminoles to accomplish the goals and it begins Thursday night at WesBanco Arena when the three-day mat extravaganza begins.

“Our team goal has been to make a run at the (3A) class title,” Muntz said. “We really like the competition this tournament presents and I think we should be able to be in the hunt with some guys who can be around on Saturday night.”

Muntz and the Seminoles haven’t seen all of the 3A teams, but most believe that class is wide open with the likes of River, Bellaire, Barnesville, Linsly and Magnolia.

The Seminoles have put forth a solid showing thus

“WE’RE GETTING better every week, but we’re still not where we need to be. Hopefully, by the end of the season, and the sectional, we’ll be there.”

— **Robert Muntz**
Monroe Central head coach

far during the early portion of the season.

They own a 5-5 dual record and took part in the Barnesville Invitational, Waynedale Duals in Applecreek and the Shadyside Invitational, where they placed fourth of 13 teams.

“We’re getting better every week, but we’re still not where we need to be,” Muntz said. “Hopefully, by the end of the season and the sectional, we’ll be there. We just need to continue to gain mat time and experience.”

Though he took part in just his second seed meeting last Sunday, Muntz knows the bracketing and giving his wrestlers the best chance at an early win is crucial.

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healthy come tournament time and pick up a couple wins for us.

“Paul, Noah, Ronald and Caleb Nelson are all in their first year of varsity wrestling.

“They continue to get better every week, and we have seen good progress from all of them. Each of them are capable of picking up a win or two at the OVAC tournament.

“Levi has done a good

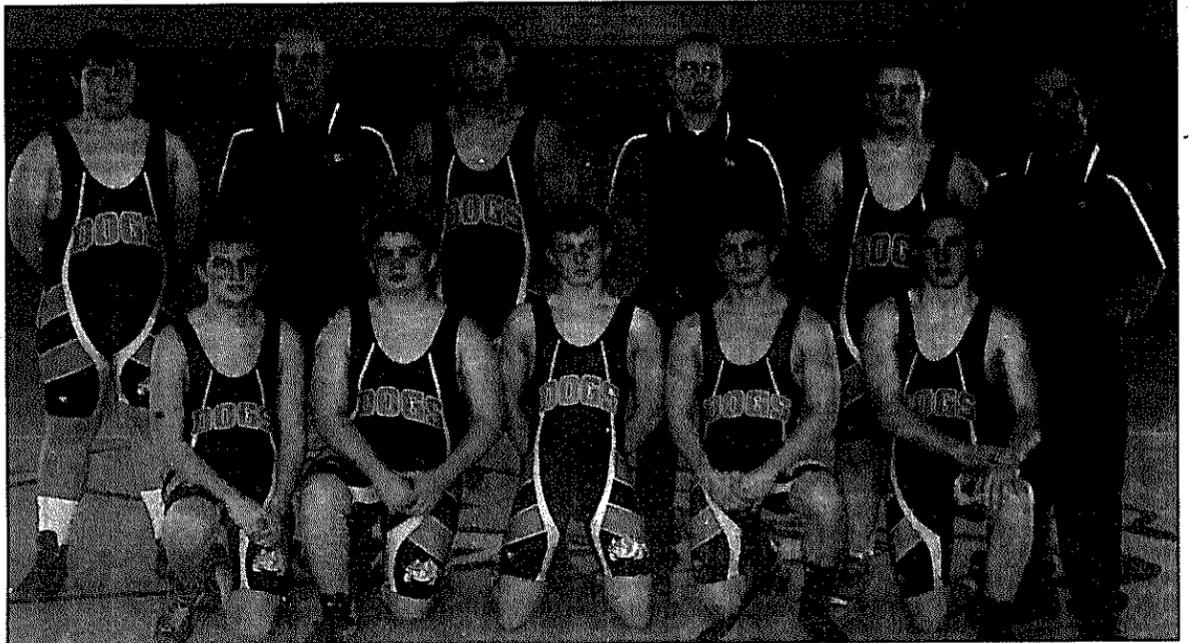
job wrestling undersized at heavyweight for us this year,” the coach revealed.”

As a freshman, he is one of the lighter heavyweights, sometimes giving up 40 pounds to bigger opponents. He has wrestled tough, but has struggled with the weight difference.

He is still growing into the weight, but has the potential to win some matches at the tournament.”



BRIDGEPORT BULLDOGS



Photo/PAUL KRAJNYAK
PICTURED IS the 2014-15 Bridgeport wrestling team. Front row, from left, are Caleb Nelson, Ronald Hundley, Elliott Dean, Jacob Ray and Paul Coen. Back row, from left, are Levi Bryant, assistant coach Robbie Seszko, Carlos Kusic, head coach David Nelson, Noah Murr and assistant coach Kevin Snyder.



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Ferry seeks continued OVAC success

• Bodkin back seeking to defend his 285-pound championship; Riders own 20 conference crowns

By KIM NORTH
Times Leader Sports Writer

MARTINS FERRY – When it comes to the Ron Mauck Ohio Valley Athletic Conference wrestling tournament, Martins Ferry has a rich tradition.

The Purple Riders have claimed the Class 3A title 20 times, and have been overall champions in half of those seasons.

However, it's been three years since Martins Ferry has ruled its division, and since 1999 that it was the overall winner.

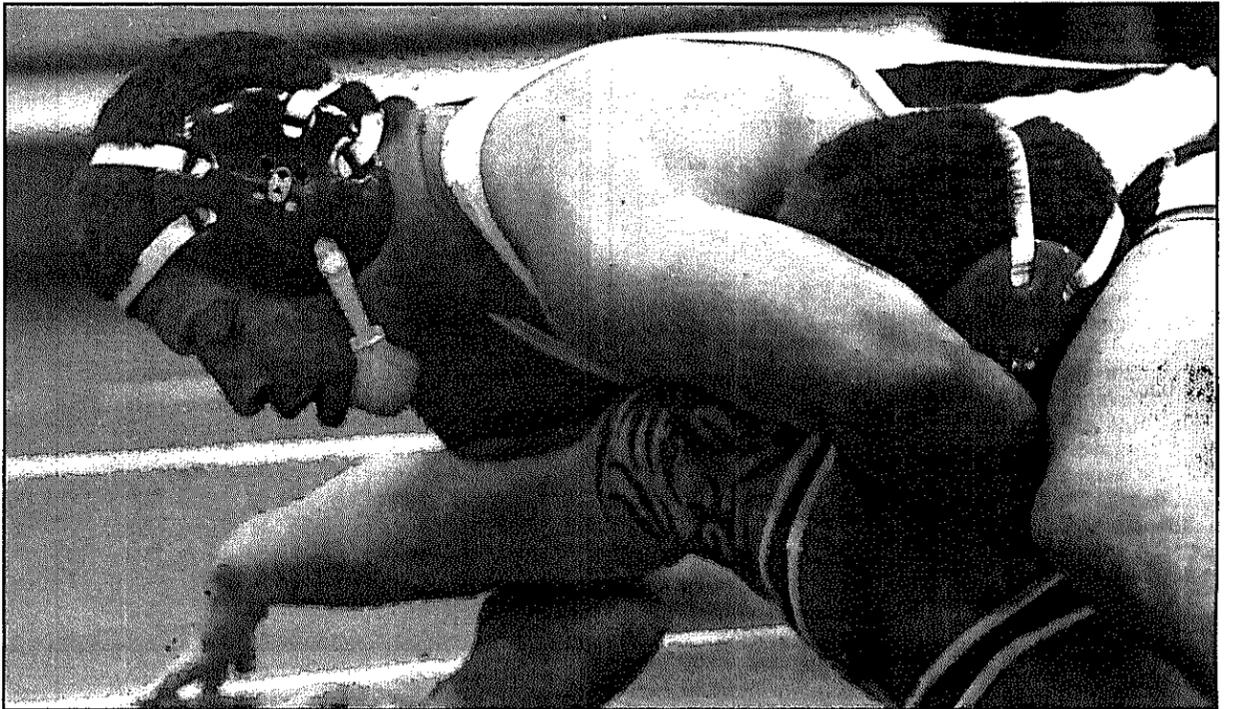
Entering the 62nd annual event inside down Wheeling's WesBanco Arena Thursday night, Martins Ferry head coach Chas Yoder knows his young squad has a slim at the overall or Class 4A titles, but he hopes to have several guys earn places. Out of the 14 weight classes, the Purple Riders will

fill 11. They don't have an entrant at 113, 120 or 152-160.

"Our goals are to just go out there and compete and get as many guys on the podium Saturday night as we can," he said. "Realistically, hopefully, I think we can get six or seven (guys place), but we should at least have five if we wrestle well."

Four Purple Riders reached the podium last winter, and two of those individuals return in seniors Jonathan Bodkin (285) and Bryce Coleman (152-160). Bodkin claimed the 285-pound title, while Coleman finished fifth at 152. Both are two-time placewinners as Coleman was eighth at 138 as a sophomore. Bodkin also finished eighth at 285 as a freshman. He didn't compete as a sophomore.

Bodkin, who was seeded third, posted a 3-1 decision over No. 5 seed Chukwudi



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MARTINS FERRY'S Bryce Coleman works toward a pin during the Barnesville Doan Ford Invitational earlier this season. Coleman is seeking his third OVAC place this weekend. Coleman has had a solid start to the season.

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Chukwu, of Linsly, last year for his cherished title. He became the first Purple Rider since Steve Woodford in 2009 to win an OVAC title, with Woodford also prevailing at 285.

Chukwu returns, as does Wellsville's Seth Bloor, who bumped up from 220 last year where he placed second.

"I don't think there is any

pressure on him to repeat. He loves to compete," Yoder said. "He's tough as nails and will go out and scrap the entire six minutes."

Bodkin tips the scales at 250 pounds, but only stands 5-8.

"People think he has an advantage because he's a little lighter and quicker than other heavyweights, but he's shorter. You can take that as an advantage or disadvantage. The bigger guys just hang on him because they can't go underneath him."

Bodkin, who placed fifth at last year's Division III state meet, is currently 7-1. The lone setback came at the Meadowbrook Duals where he suffered an ankle injury and had to default.

Coleman, who was a district qualifier last season,

will be seeking his third OVAC medal.

"We expect big things out of Bryce. We're expecting him to put together a really good tournament," Yoder allowed. "We're not sure what weight he will wrestle at yet, either 152 or 160. This was his first week dropping to 152 and he looked good. It's up to him to whatever he feels comfortable at."

"If he wrestles up to his capabilities, he has a chance to make the finals," Yoder noted. "He has to put together a full performance for that to happen."

Also placing last season were James Wise (145-7th) and Thomas Campbell (106-8th).

Martins Ferry's roster will include, in addition to the aforementioned Bodkin and Coleman, seniors

Theodore Zoumpolidis (106) and Dennis Russell (138); juniors Takota Haggerty (132) and Trevor Neavin (145); sophomores Anthony Blankenship (126) and Drake Rice (195); and freshmen Trent Blount (170-182), Dalton Hoover (170-182) and Hunter Bodkin (220).

A rundown of each wrestler follows:

Zoumpolidis is a 3-year letterman, this lanky Purple Rider was a state qualifier as a sophomore and finished eighth in the OVAC last year. He is currently 6-2.

"Theo is a veteran," Yoder explained. "He's back down to 106 this year. He was a little heavier last year. He's got his weight under control and has wrestled pretty well."

Yoder said it's not

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Baker back in charge at River

By **KIM NORTH**
Times Leader Sports Writer

HANNIBAL — Chuck Baker is in his 36th year as a wrestling coach, with 13 of them being as head coach of the River program.

This is his second go-round as the Pilots' head coach and he knows the going will be tough for his

young squad when the 62nd annual Ron Mauck Ohio Valley Athletic Conference tournament begins its three-day stand Thursday night inside downtown Wheeling's WesBanco Arena.

River will have eight competitors take to the mats, but no one until 132

pounds.

"We have no light-weights. We've got some smaller kids walking around the hallways and we've asked them to come out, but for different reasons, they didn't," Baker explained.

"However, the kids who are here work very hard. You tell them what to do

and they do it. They're great kids."

Of the eight, only one is a senior, while two are juniors. There are a pair of sophomores and three freshmen that round out the team.

"We are a very, very young team," Baker noted. "My freshmen have never wrestled at a tournament like this, so they are probably going to be wide-eyed and in awe. This is a hard tournament ... one of the largest in the United States. There are no slouches."

"I'll be happy if I can get a win out of each kid," Baker continued. "I'd be even happier if I can get a placer."

Senior Josh Stewart (132) has the best shot of placing, according to his head coach.

"He's having a very good season," Baker said of the 13-3 Stewart, who placed second at Shadyside's Last Man Standing Tournament two weeks ago. "He's ranked No. 7 right now, so he's got a chance."

Junior Chase Schultheis (138) has bumped up a weight class.

Chase has got an outside

shot, but his weight class is loaded," Baker said. "He's as good as (Josh) Stewart, it just depends on what kid shows up. He only weighs 132, so he's giving up some weight."

Schultheis is currently

11-2. Freshman Aiden Taylor (145) will be competing in his first OVAC Tournament.

"He's probably the most talented kid on the team, but he's injury prone," Baker allowed.

"He can go out there and go at it for a little while, but then he runs out of gas because of the lack of conditioning due to the injuries."

Classmate Zach Talbot (152) has a bright future, according to Baker.

"Zach is a very hard worker with some talent," the coach said, "but I think he is a year away from doing well. He only wrestled for one year in junior high."

Sophomore Tucker Boggs (170) has posted a 9-5 mark thus far.

"Tucker's a second-year kid who works very hard," Baker said. "He placed third

at Shadyside, but is in a really tough weight class."

Classmate Luke Matusik (182) missed most of last season with an injury, but has rebounded to go 13-3 thus far.

"If Luke puts his mind to it, he can go in there and earn a place," Baker said. "He's taller than most kids in his weight class, so he has leverage on them. He needs to use that to his advantage."

"The top six kids in his weight class are heads above the rest, so if he can slide in there at 7th or 8th I'd be pleased."

Junior Tyce Felton (195) is a first year wrestler who is 9-5.

"Tyce is very strong," Baker admitted. "He works really hard, but he is still green and has a lot to learn."

Freshman Loc Baker (285) is no relation to the head coach, but drew rave reviews from him.

"Loc weighs about 250 pounds and has a lot of learning to do," the coach said.

"By the time he's a senior, I think he can be one of the best heavyweights in the Ohio Valley."

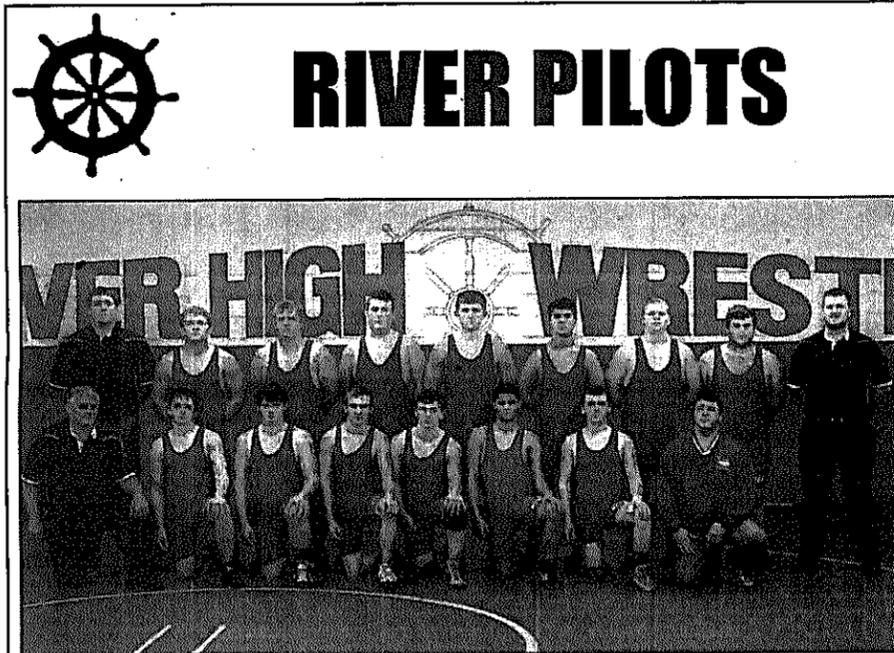


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PICTURED IS the 2014-15 River wrestling team. Front row, from left, are head coach Chuck Baker, Zach Talbot, Nathan Rainey, Chase Schultheis, Alden Taylor, Loren Thomas and assistant coach John Talbot. Second row, from left, are assistant coach Eric Stephens, Tyce Felton, Broc Miracle, Hunter Dotson, Luke Matusik, Tucker Boggs, Luc Baker, Collin Huffman and assistant coach Paden Stewart.



OVAC mat clinic set for Saturday

AS PART of the "SUBWAY Sports Clinic Series" the Ohio Valley Athletic Conference will be hosting its annual free youth

wrestling clinic in conjunction with the Ron Mauck OVAC Wrestling Tournament on Saturday. The free wrestling clinic

will be held on the OVAC championship mats of WesBanco Arena from 9:30-11 a.m.

Registration will begin at 8:30 that morning.

The clinic will be led by Branden Lee Hinkle, National Champion NCAA Wrestler, US National Freestyle All-American and MMA participant.

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62nd annual Ron Mauck OVAC Wrestling Tournament Seeds, First-Round Pairings

TOP 8 SEEDS

106 — 1. Jashon Hubbard, Steubenville; 2. Ryan DeBee, Oak Glen; Luke Martin, Parkersburg South; 4. Quinton Bookman, Beaver; 5. Timmy Young, Steubenville Central; 6. Dakota Ice, East Liverpool; 7. Cody Holmes, John Marshall; 8. Theodore Zoumpoulidis, Martins Ferry.

113 — 1. Jackson Henson, University; 2. Alex Potts, East Liverpool; 3. Greg Quinn, Shadyside; 4. Hunter Cline, Parkersburg South; 5. Jack Dawson, Beaver; 6. Logan Ball, Cambridge; 7. Brandon White, Harrison Central; 8. Caleb Johnson, Weir.

120 — 1. Tariq Wilson, Steubenville; 2. Rodney Richter, Monroe Central; 3. Riley Nice, Magnolia; 4. Luke Coniker, Steubenville Central; 5. Tommy Curtin, Linsly; 6. Daniel Hague, Indian Creek; 7. Jacob Roberts, Parkersburg South; 8. Owen Zielders, University.

126 — 1. Dallas Baciak, Wheeling Park; 2. Josh Kahl, Shadyside; 3. Donald Starkey, Toronto; 4. Dalton Wood, Cameron; 5. Cody Oiler, East Liverpool; 6. Robert Daley, Edison; 7. Zach Collins, Parkersburg South; 8. Evan Reed, Cambridge.

132 — 1. Dakota Goff, Steubenville; 2. Jason Keyes, Beaver; 3. Colten Nangle, Parkersburg South; 4. James Parsons, Wheeling Park; 5. Tyler Gaydosh, Indian Creek; 6. Phillip Good, Madonna; 7. Austin Rohrbough, University; 8. Blake Pickenpaugh, Caldwell.

138 — 1. Tyler Jenkins, Meadowbrook; 2. Bobby Stewart, Union Local; 3. Hunter Pizzino, Harrison Central; 4. Nick Tice, Oak Glen; 5. Kolby Rayner, Caldwell; 6. Jesse Hubbard, Steubenville; 7. Ryan Taylor, Parkersburg South; 8. Jordan Hamlin, University.

145 — 1. Dylan Taylor, Wheeling Park; 2. Bailey Jenkins, Meadowbrook; 3. Daniel Hesson, Beaver; 4.

T.J. Lamboitte, Parkersburg South; 5. Patrick Arneault, Oak Glen; 6. Colton Kirby, Clay-Battelle; 7. Chase Cooper, Tyler; 8. Billy Johnson, Shadyside.

152 — 1. Ryan Lopez, University; 2. Brett Kahl, Shadyside; 3. Tyler Windland, Parkersburg South; 4. Niko Moray, Steubenville; 5. Bryce Coleman, Martins Ferry; 6. Alex Shuman, Oak Glen; 7. Austin Diglandomenico, Wheeling Park; 8. Antony Risley, Harrison Central.

160 — Hunter DeLong, Parkersburg South; Casey Mowder, John Marshall; 3. Hobie Howler, Barnesville; 4. Josh Sokolowski, Buckeye Local; 5. Shawn Livingston, Steubenville; 6. Dillon Shaw, Madonna; 7. Logan Hickenbottom, Cambridge; 8. Adam Frisco, University.

170 — 1. Dylan Alexander, Parkersburg South; 2. Matt McFarland, Union Local; 3. Logan Wotring, Morgantown; 4. Drew Lowery, Toronto; 5. Austin Deffenbaugh, Steubenville; 6. Paden McConaughy, Magnolia; 7. Stevie Cool, Oak Glen; 8. Laine Cade, Edison.

182 — 1. Brandon Jones, Steubenville; 2. Justin Allman, Parkersburg South; 3. Dalton Hoover, Martins Ferry; 4. Mitchell Wells, Edison; 5. Caleb Nice, Magnolia; 6. Jud Ramage, Meadowbrook; 7. Chris Rusch, Morgantown; 8. Tristan Jones, Buckeye Local.

195 — Tyler Newhart-Koreski, Parkersburg South; 2. John Mercer, Cambridge; 3. Tim Albertson, Steubenville; 4. Josh Barber, Beaver Local; 5. Calde Bunfill, Barnesville; 6. Matthew Doll, Brooke; 7. Isaiah Myers, Wheeling Park; 8. Gage Giovengo, Linsly.

220 — 1. Chuk Chukwu, Linsly; 2. Michael Furbee, St. Clairsville; 3. Thomas Hall, Parkersburg South; 4. Tanner Potts, Monroe Central; 5. Hunter Bodkin, Martins Ferry; 6. Clay Poling, Caldwell; 7. Drone

Moore, Steubenville; 8. Austyn Dozier, East Liverpool.

285 — 1. Jon Bodkin, Martins Ferry; 2. Seth Bloor, Wellsville; 3. Chance Rucker, Caldwell; 4. Noah Mills, Oak Glen; 5. Darrell Soloman, Steubenville; 6. Dane Mills, Parkersburg South; 7. Mitchell Powers, Morgantown; 8. Donnie Merritt, Indian Creek.

FIRST ROUND PAIRINGS

106 — Hubbard (Steub) vs. Creer (StC); Bye vs. Brown (Shady); Bye vs. Cain (Weir); Stephens (Meadow) vs. Zoumpoulidis (MF); Young (SCC) vs. Ott (HC); Bye vs. Harris (Tor); Bonar (Tyler) vs. Berberich (Bell); Cecil (Mag) vs. Bookman (Beav); Martin (PS) vs. Good (Camb); Bye vs. Niswonger (Cald); Riney (Brk) vs. Bye; Merrill (Morg) vs. Ice (EL); Holmes (JM) vs. Porter (WP); Gurrera (Mad) vs. Bye; Dudich (Lins) vs. Bye; Starkey (IC) vs. Debee (OG).

113 — Henson (U) vs. Baker (Mag); Bye vs. Frizzell (Meadow); Bye vs. Anderson (Tor); Whitely (UL) vs. Johnson (Weir); Dawson (Beav) vs. Wood (Steub); Bye vs. Irvin (SCC); Raines (Bealls) vs. Bye; Richter (MC) vs. Cline (PS); Quinn (Shady) vs. Sansone (WP); Bye vs. Grow (CB); Reioridan (Brk) vs. Bye; Bertrand (JM) vs. Ball (Camb); White (HC) vs. Allietta (IC); Kleiner (Ed) vs. Bye; Mackey (Cam) vs. Bye; Salisbury (Morg) vs. Potts (EL).

120 — Wilson (Steub) vs. Clark (Shen); Weimer (Morg) vs. Schockling (Cald); Bye vs. Walter (Tor); Marelli (BL) vs. Zeiders (U); Curtin (Lins) vs. Pulice (Mad); Bookman (Beav) vs. Hunter (Shady); Sarge (EL) vs. Stocker (Camb); Logan (Ed) vs. Coniker (SCC); Nice (Mag) vs. Marling (Bell); Wilson (Barnes) vs. Heavilin (HC); Howell (UL) vs. Harper (Meadow); Jaquay (WP) vs. Hague (IC); Roberts (PS) vs. Davis (Cam); Barnhart (Brk) vs. Bye; Bozek (OG) vs. Thomas (JM); Wilson (Weir) vs. Ro. Richter (MC).

126 — Baciak (WP) vs. Gray (Steub); Barnes (BL) vs. Riter (Mag); Bye vs. Risley (HC); Watson (CB) vs. Reed (Camb); Oiler (EL) vs. Mazik (IC); Moore (Morg) vs. Vincenzo (StC); Martsof (Beav) vs. Gray (JM); Lengyel (Weir) vs. Wood (Cam); Starkey (Tor) vs. Strous (Barnes); Moore (SJC) vs. Heavilin (SCC); J. Howell (UL) vs. D. Raines (Bealls); Summerlin (U) vs. Daley (Ed); Collins (PS) vs. Gatrell

(Meadow); Blankenship (MF) vs. Bye; Smith (Mad) vs. Dean (Bpt); Mosman (Lins) vs. J. Kahl (Shady).

132 — Goff (Steub) vs. Browne/Eckenrod; Callark (BL) vs. Forquer (CB); Ray (Morg) vs. Bower (Lins); Seese (FF) vs. Pickenpaugh (Cald); Gaydosh (IC) vs. Caley (Camb); Cade (Ed) vs. Strain (UL); Spalla (Cam) vs. Stevens (StC); Perdue/Wilhelm vs. Parsons (WP); Nangle (PS) vs. Eberhart/Skapik; Dunlap (JM) vs. Savage (Tor); Z. Daugherty (Bealls) vs. Stewart (Riv); Kramer (Meadow) vs. Good (Mad); Rohrbough (U) vs. Mead (TC); Adams (Mag) vs. Loy (EL); Wright (Weir) vs. Hupp (MC); Haggerty/Kuebler (MF) vs. Keyes (Beav).

138 — T. Jenkins (Meadow) vs. Davis (Beav); Russell (MF) vs. Baird (Mag); Bye vs. Griffin (Barnes); Hupp-Lasure (Morg) vs. Hamlin (U); Rayner (Cald) vs. Mason (BL); Kirby (WP) vs. Mazik (IC); Weaver vs. Bond (Shen); Blystone (EL) vs. Tice (OG); Pizzino (HC) vs. Yost (Brk); Tubaugh (JM) vs. Baldwin (Cam); Alwine (StC) vs. Baker (FF); Highley (Mag) vs. Hubbard (Steub); Taylor (PS) vs. Brooks (MC); Schultheis (Riv) vs. bye; V. Giovengo (Lins) vs. Hawthorne (Shady); Coen (Bpt) vs. Stewart (UL).

145 — Taylor (WP) vs. Neavin/Nelson; Todd (Mad) vs. Craig (MC); Monte (Wells) vs. Fisher (Ed); Binkiewicz (BL) vs. Johnson (Shady); Arneault (OG) vs. Ferguson (Steub); Campbell (Mag) vs. Cnum (UL); Petry (Cald) vs. Ketchum (EL); Eakle (IC) vs. Lambiotte (S); Hasson (Beav) vs. Schmielesing (SCC); Taylor (Riv) vs. Dodds (HC); Cottrell (U) vs. Hagood (Morg); Fox (Camb) vs. Kirby (CB); Cooper (TC) vs. Hickman (Barnes); Schlieper (Cam) vs. Thompson (StC); West (JM) vs. Schwarz (Lins); Masters (Bell) vs. B. Jenkins (Meadow).

152 — Lopez (U) vs. Weldy (Barnes); Chico (Lins) vs. Zonker (Brk); Bye vs. McAtee (IC); Love (Meadow) vs. Risley (HC); Coleman (MF) vs. Bigler (Tor); Palco (UL) vs. Eckelberry (JM); Street (Mag) vs. Miscuk (EL); Vance (Bealls) vs. Moray (Steub); Winland (PS) vs. Clawges (Morg); Ekey (Mad) vs. Adams (Beav); Starcher (Cam) vs. Forquer (CB); Dayton (Ed) vs. Shuman (OG); Diglandomenico (WP) vs. Talbot (Riv); Carothers (MC) vs. Bye; Morrow (BL) vs. DeLong (StC); Wood (Shen) vs. B. Kahl (Shady).

160 — DeLong (PS) vs. Heath (StC); Boyle (Wells) vs. Hogan

(OG); Bye vs. Hunt (HC); Zombeck (Brk) vs. Frisco (U); Livingston (Steub) vs. Taylor (UL); Maple (IC) vs. Fields (Weir); Gross (Morg) vs. West (Meadow); Simpkins (Mag) vs. Sokolowski (BL); Howler (Barnes) vs. Callon (SCC); Kenny (Lins) vs. Haines (Cam); McConville (Bell) vs. Nash (WP); Roberts (Ed) vs. Shaw (Mad); Hickenbottom (Camb) vs. Phillips (Bealls); Knecht (Beav) vs. Bye; Davis (Cald) vs. Allen (Shady); Walker (EL) vs. Mowder (JM).

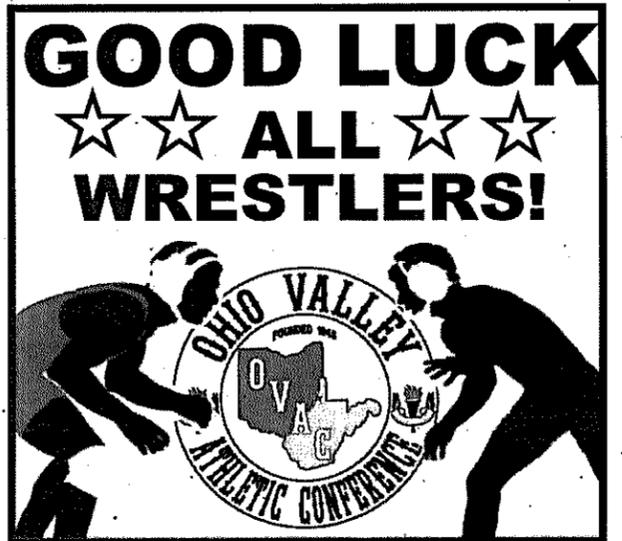
170 — Alexander (PS) vs. Daley (SCC); Ingram (Cald) vs. Boggs (Riv); Bye vs. Pershing (Camb); Cornish (BL) vs. Cade (Ed); Deffenbaugh (Steub) vs. Martin (Cam); MacRaymond (Mad) vs. Carnes (StC); Johnston (Wells) vs. Knotts (FF); Yanovich (Lins) vs. Lowery (Tor); Wotring (Morg) vs. Wilson (MC); Blount (MF) vs. Chambers (Barnes); Ramage (Meadow) vs. Boyer (HC); Yohn (U) vs. McConaughy (Mag); Cool (OG) vs. Finsley (Brk); Schneidmiller (EL) vs. Parr (Weir); Rouse (WP) vs. Thomas (IC); Mays (Beav) vs. McFarland (UL).

182 — Jones (Steub) vs. Durrah (JM); Alvis (Tor) vs. Plumly (Barnes); Bye vs. Valachovic (U); Bobby (Beav) vs. Jones (BL); Nice (Mag) vs. Jenkins (HC); Bye vs. Freeman (Shen); Kusic (Bpt) vs. Chadwick (OG); Blackstone (MC) vs. Wells (Ed); Hoover (MF) vs. Jarman (IC); Winters (FF) vs. Matusik (Riv); Mayfield (EL) vs. Cobb (Cald); Webber (CB) vs. Ramage (Meadow); Rusch (Morg) vs. Ricker (WP); Miller (Cam) vs. Bye; Tokash (Mad) vs. Wooding (Lins); High (Camb) vs. Allman (PS).

195 — Newhart-Koreski (PS) vs. Price (Bell); Saling (Shen) vs. Webster (U); Bye vs. Pitcher (Morg); Johnson (BL) vs. G. Giovengo (Lins); Bunfill (Barnes) vs. Harris (Ed); Felton (Riv) vs. Flowers (OG); Ekey (Mad) vs. Rogers (SCC); Yates (FF) vs. Barber (Beav); Albertson (Steub) vs. Robinson (Shady); Taylor (HC) vs. Burge (Cam); Fogle (Tor) vs. Rice (MF); Hundley (Bpt) vs. Doll (Brk); Myers (WP) vs. Russell (IC); Keys (TC) vs. Bonetti (SJC); Halfield (Mag) vs. Cecace (JM); McCoy (Weir) vs. Mercer (Camb).

220 — Chukwu (Lins) vs. Tidwell/Mitchell; Fijalkowski (UL) vs. Mole (U); Matheny (FF) vs. Price (OG); Murr (Bpt) vs. Dozier (EL); H. Bodkin (JM) vs. Eddy (TC); McCordle (MF) vs. Riddle (Beav); Pearson (Weir) vs. Householder (Tor); DeFelice (Shady) vs. Potts (MC); Hall (PS) vs. Cook (BL); Edgell (Brk) vs. Wilson (Mag); Perdue (Barnes) vs. Robinson (IC); Shafts (Ed) vs. Poling (Cald); Moore (Steub) vs. Cuervo (SCC); Smith (WP) vs. Moore (Camb); Stull (HC) vs. Potts (Beal); Edyud (Mad) vs. Furbee (StC).

285 — J. Bodkin (MF) vs. Oladimeji (Lins); Simmons (JM) vs. Colvin (Meadow); Bye vs. Meadows (Shady); Ernest (StC) vs. Merritt (IC); Soloman (Steub) vs. Sawyers (Mag); Bye vs. Chipps (TC); Six (CB) vs. Woodburn (Beav); Perry (Camb) vs. Mills (OG); Rucker (Cald) vs. Linke (Weir); Ritchea (Cam) vs. Kilburn (MC); Gilliam (HC) vs. Morris (Bell); Baker (Riv) vs. Mills (PS); Powers (Morg) vs. Bryant (Bpt); Martin (Mad) vs. Bye; Taylor (Bealls) vs. Haynes (Tor); Morgan (Barnes) vs. Bloor (Wells).



Shadyside wants to build on early success

By **SETH STASKEY**
Times Leader Sports Editor

SHADYSIDE — The Shadyside Tigers are an underclass-dominated wrestling team.

But, don't think for a minute that Sean Grinch and his team's goals are any different than normal, despite having just one senior in their lineup.

"You always look down the road, but you never know what's going to happen," Grinch said. "I look at the guys we have now and focus on getting better every day. Our goal is to make each kid better this year."

With the 62nd annual Ron Mauck OVAC Wrestling Tournament slated to open Thursday at WesBanco Arena, the Tigers are preparing to make a serious run at the Class 1A/2A title this weekend after settling for second in 2013.

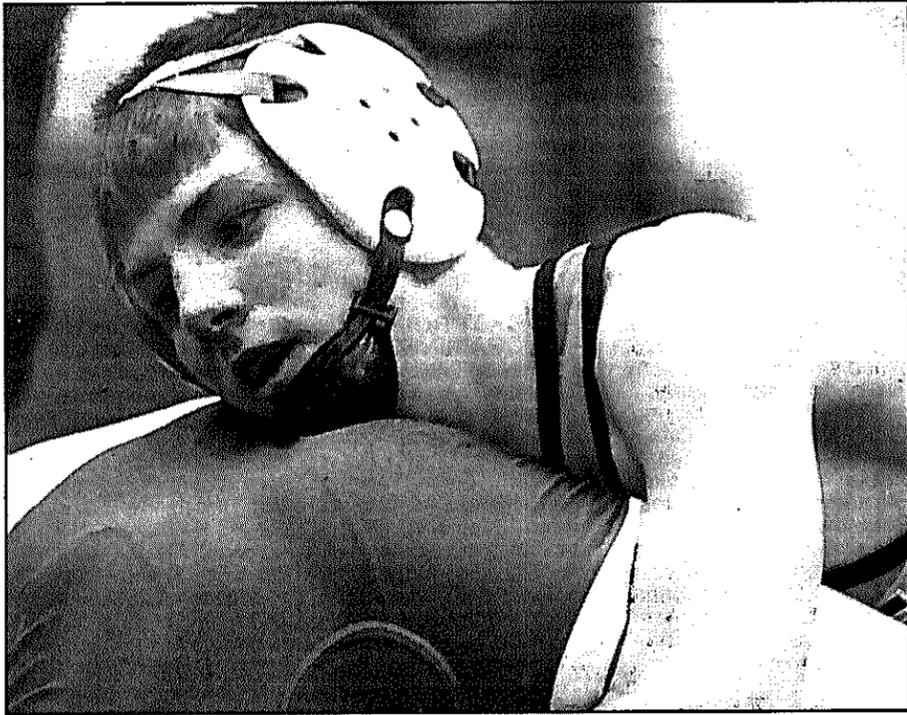
"We didn't wrestle our best at the OVAC last year," Grinch confessed. "I

don't know if it was pressure or nerves, but we're changing our approach somewhat."

While the OVAC Tournament is something all wrestlers in the Ohio Valley want to win and coaches point to, Shadyside is doing its best to keep things in perspective, too.

"We're looking at it as another tournament," Grinch said. "Our main goal remains to get as many kids to the state tournament in Columbus. This is one of the parts of the mountain you have to climb to get to that point. Obviously, we want to win 2A and get as many kids on the podium as we can, but at the same time, we realize it's not the end of the season or world if we don't accomplish those things."

Shadyside has broke out its GPS unit somewhat in the early going of the season. The Tigers have competed a lot, but had very few tournaments in the immediate area. Outside of their own event earlier this



SHADYSIDE sophomore Greg Quinn is a reigning OVAC runnerup. He placed second at 106 pounds and will compete this weekend at 113 pounds. He comes into the OVAC with a 16-2 record.

T-L File Photo/MIKE PALMER

month, the Tigers' closest tournament was at Beaver Local.

"I thought we've wrestled well at our two local tournaments," Grinch said. "We got second at our tournament and third at Beaver Local with some bigger schools and competition."

They also took part, during the Christmas break, in

the Brecksville Broadview Heights event and failed to produce a placer in what's regarded as one of the Buckeye State's premier events.

"We won some matches at Brecksville and had three guys one win from placing," Grinch said. "It was good experience for our kids to see top-level

wrestling and top-level individuals."

Finding good competition is something Grinch has sought out to do, but managing the psyches of his guys has come with that at times.

"A few of our guys went 0-2 at Brecksville and I told them, 'you're wrestling some big-time Division I

programs'" Grinch said. "We took some good things out of that."

When Grinch takes a closer look at this weekend's field, he thinks it will come down to which team and which wrestlers are prepared for the three-day grind.

"I would say it's pretty

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 wide open," Grinch said. "Caldwell still has some solid kids in their lineup, so they'll be a challenge. Toronto has a really nice squad, and I think they fill all 14 weight classes and having depth like that always helps."

While he realizes not everyone is going to win the title or even place, getting as many to the placement rounds is the ultimate key to success, according to Grinch.

"Seeding and bracketing are important, but it's not everything," Grinch said. "The thing about the OVAC Tournament is that seeds get knocked off every round. You have to be ready and focused for every match because when you're wrestling against a seeded guy, your goal is to knock him off and take his spot on the bracket."

The Tigers have 17 on the roster and Grinch expects to fill 12 weight classes this weekend, which is a solid number.

The lone weight classes Shadyside definitely won't enter are at 170 and 182 pounds.

Shadyside will be led into the OVAC Tournament by sophomore Greg Quinn. The 113-pounder was the runnerup at 106 a season ago and went on to finish sixth in the Ohio state meet. Currently, he owns a 16-2 record with his only losses coming at Brecksville.

"Greg's a great kid, one of our captains and a guy who works hard daily," Grinch said. "He wants to get back to the finals and win it. He's never a guy who you have to get on about working hard. The kids look up to him."

Returning OVAC placer Josh Kahl resides at 126 pounds. The sophomore also placed fifth in the district tournament last season and has picked up right where he left off thus far in 2014-15.

He didn't compete at Brecksville due to illness and owns a 12-0 record.

"Josh is a tough kid," Grinch said. "He's in a deep weight class with a lot of kids around the same ability. Anyone in that weight class can be knocked off, so he's going to have to be ready to go every match."

Junior Brett Kahl holds down the Tigers' fort at 152 pounds. The owner of a 15-2 record qualified for the Division III state meet last season. He finished sixth in the OVAC.

"Brett had a good Thursday and wrestled well on Friday (at the OVAC) last year, but didn't have a good Saturday," Grinch recalled. "He learned from that and it's helped. He's really wrestling loose and he's progressing well."

Sophomore Donnie Meadows will be placed in the 285-pound class.

"He's made huge strides," Grinch said. "He went 2-2 at Brecksville and just missed placing, so he's starting to figure out the style of wrestling heavy-weight. He's a very coachable kid and listens to everything we say."

The lone senior in the lineup is at 132 pounds. Wyatt Skapik is 7-7 on the season.

"Wyatt has the ability to knock some guys off," Grinch said.

Sophomore Will Brown gets the call at 106. He's 9-7 on the season.

"I hope Will goes out and wrestles like he's capable," Grinch said. "He needs to be confident in himself, and I am hoping we see that (this) weekend."

Sophomore Colin Hunter (6-5) will represent the Tigers at 120 pounds. He was a district qualifier last season.

"He caught a tough break last year at the OVAC, and I think he'll battle for a place," Grinch said. "He has to come ready to wrestle every match and be focused

in for the whole six minutes."

Sophomore Cody Hawthorne gets the call at 138, utilizing a "different style," according to his head coach. He's been one of the team leaders in pins.

Sophomore Billy Johnson is the entrant at 145 pounds. He's one of the Tigers' most improved wrestlers, per Grinch. He was a district qualifier last season.

"He's placed in both tournaments and lost to some tough kids," Grinch said. "He just needs to string those matches together and hope he can put it together."

Junior Austin Allen is the man for the Tigers at 160 pounds. He owns an 8-6 record, despite giving up some weight. He's placed at both Beaver and Shadyside.

"I just want him to continue to wrestle hard each match," Grinch said.

Junior Dante DeFelice will fill the 220-pound class this weekend.

"Dante's got the ability," Grinch said. "He's been working hard and we're hoping to get him a couple of wins over there."

Freshman Josh Robinson will be entered at 195 pounds. He's battled his way to a handful of victories this season.

The balance of the Tigers' roster is Zach Vaughn (126), Bailey Chaplin (132), Matt Shaw (138), Dylan Hanson (170) and Eli Karkowski (285).

After the OVAC, the Tigers have some more trips

ahead. They'll compete in the Williamstown Invitational and an event at Dublin Jerome.

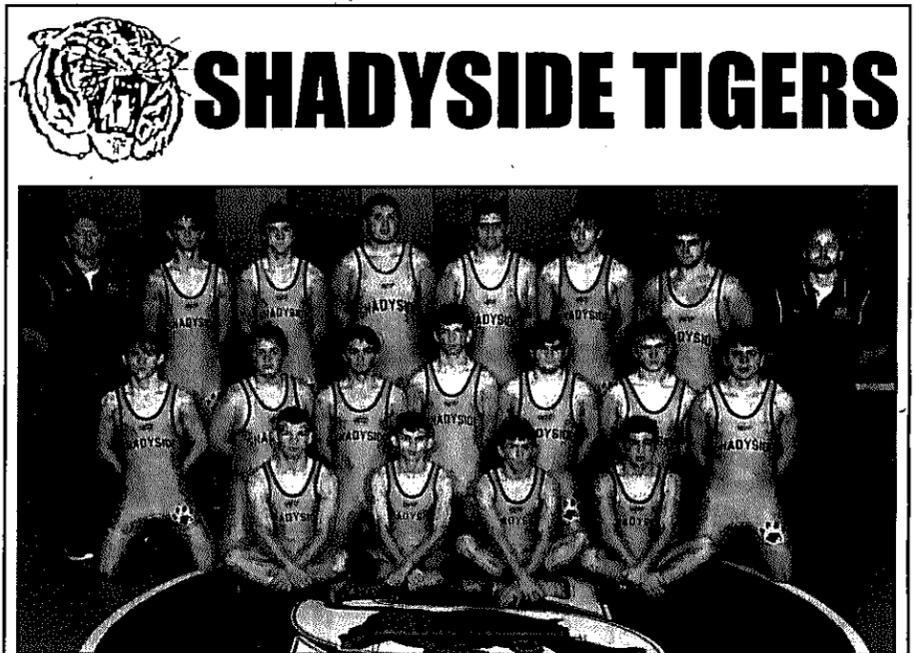
On top of those, Shadyside is slated to take part in the OHSAA duals,

OVAC duals and it will host Wheeling Park.

"We built our schedule to try to wrestle the best kids possible," Grinch admitted. "We've mixed it up going to different parts of Ohio.

It's good to see different kids and styles, which will make us better in the long run."

Grinch is being assisted by Jesse Irwin, Luke Burkhardt and Ian Baker.



Photo/PAUL KRAJNYAK
 PICTURED IS the 2014-15 Shadyside wrestling team. Front row, from left, are Cody Hawthorne, Will Brown, Greg Quinn and Collin Hunter. Second row, from left, are Josh Kahl, Josh Robinson, Zach Vaughn, Wyatt Skapik, Austin Allen, Dylan Hanson and Mica LaBiche. Third row, from left, are head coach Sean Grinch, Bailey Chaplin, Billy Johnson, Eli Karkowski, Donnie Meadows, Brett Kahl, Dante DeFelice and assistant coach Jesse Irwin.

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St. C. looking to hit its stride

By **SETH STASKEY**
Times Leader Sports Editor

ST. CLAIRSVILLE – When Joel Sansone was formulating the schedule for his St. Clairsville wrestling team he wanted his team to ease into the season.

So, he backlogged the schedule with many of their matches slated for January and into February before the OHSAA postseason.

The time is now for the Red Devils as they prepare for the 62nd annual Ron

Mauck OVAC Wrestling Tournament, which opens Thursday at WesBanco Arena in downtown Wheeling.

“We took the early part of the season slow with the goal of being able to build momentum from the OVAC and carry that into the sectional and beyond,” Sansone said. “We’re basically wrestling twice a week from here on out. It’s just match after match the rest of the way. We’ve spent much of the early season

preaching technique

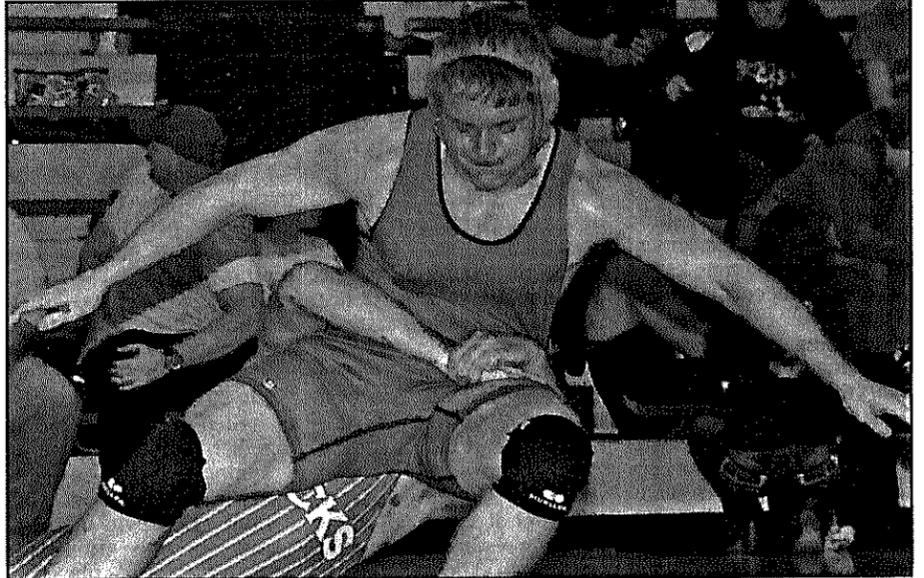
Thus far, the Red Devils are just 1-0 in dual competition and competed in just two tournaments. They finished seventh in the Division III portion of the Atwater Waterloo event last month and finished sixth at their own Best Value Inn Tournament a few weeks ago.

“We were without three starters for our tournament because of injuries and sickness,” Sansone said. “We’ve just been trying to get healthy and we finally got there for the Buckeye 8 tournament.”

As he prepares for the OVAC, Sansone sees the 4A team race being wide open. Perennial power Oak Glen is there, but defending champion Steubenville has moved up to Class 5A.

“One of our goals coming into the season was going after the 4A title,” Sansone said.

The Red Devils’ quest for



T-L File Photo/KIM NORTH

ST. CLAIRSVILLE junior Michael Furbee is one to watch this weekend in the 220-pound weight class. Furbee has been one of the area’s premier wrestlers this season and is a two-time OVAC placer.

the class title took a hit when it was learned that junior Cole Skaggs would miss the season after a foot-

ball injury suffered in the Red Devils’ season finale against Columbus Bishop Hartley in November.

“Cole was doing therapy and some drilling, but his shoulder got worse, so he’s going to have to have surgery,” Sansone said. “It’s a big loss for us, especially when you consider he was 41-6 last year with 34 pins.”

So without Skaggs, the remainder of the Red Devils’ lineup, which will fill 10 weight classes, will have to step it up, according to their head coach.

“Our juniors and sophomores are going to have to lead the way for us,” Sansone said. “Our guys will be prepared and I am hoping these guys can come out and show what they’re capable of.”

The extensive work in the room and focus on details are areas that Sansone hopes pays dividends this weekend.

“We’re seeing the improvement we were hoping for,” Sansone said. “We have some guys who started slow, but they’re coming

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along. They're earning their way into varsity matches. We want to be the hardest working guys on the mat."

Along with 182, the Red Devils will also have nary an entrant in 113, 120 and 195.

"Seeding and bracketing will be especially important this year," Sansone said. "This tournament always comes down to bracketing and this year is no different with a lot of kids with above or at .500 records."

Leading the way for the Red Devils is junior Michael Furbee, who will enter at 220 pounds. He comes in with a 16-1 record and his only loss came at Waterloo on a penalty point.

"Michael's been on a mission and working hard," Sansone said. "We don't expect anything less than the finals for him. He's been tested and has responded."

Furbee was sixth as a freshman and fourth as a sophomore.

Sophomore Dylan Alwine owns an impressive 14-2 record at 138 pounds.

"Dylan's capable of beating anyone he steps on the mat with," Sansone said. "He beat some worthy opponents last year and he's only lost one match locally this season."

Sophomore Dante Vincenzo will enter at 126 pounds. He's current 12-5 and was third at St. Clairsville.

"Dante wrestled at 132 earlier this season, but dropped down and has done really well," Sansone said. "We're expecting some big things from him. He's tough in all positions and we just have to get him to wrestle for six minutes."

Vincenzo is backed up by Jon Bartolo.

Senior Matt Carnes enters with a solid 13-5 record at 170 pounds. He was runnerup at Waterloo and fourth at St. Clairsville.

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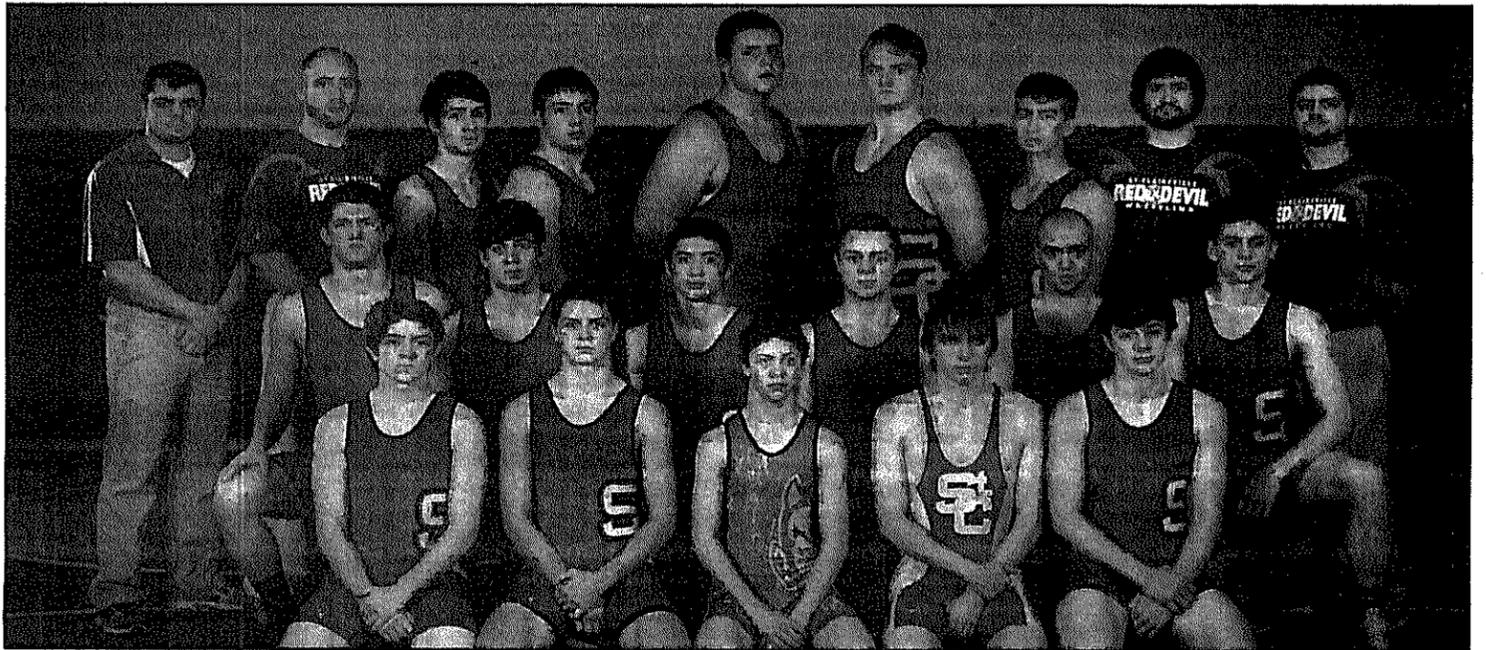


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St. John Central happy to be back

By **SETH STASKEY**
Times Leader Sports Editor

BELLAIRE – The rebuilding process is officially underway.

And Andrew LaMotte couldn't be happier.

After many years without a wrestling program, the St. John Central Fighting Irish will be back on the mats at

the 62nd annual Ron Mauck OVAC Wrestling Tournament, which opens Thursday at WesBanco Arena in downtown Wheeling.

"Everyone's pretty excited to see the program back," LaMotte said. "I am really enjoying (the process). St. John is a great school and we have great

kids. We realize it's going to take a while to get the numbers up, but we're going to continue to build with what we have."

St. John Central will enter just two wrestlers this weekend. A third member of the team – Shane Tomlin – was injured earlier this season and won't participate.

"We're trying to keep the kids focused and it's challenging with only two kids to practice and things like that, but we've been trying to change things up and do different things," LaMotte said. "There are just three of us, including me, in the (practice) room, but we try to feed off of each other and it's been going well so far."

Down the road, LaMotte expects the Irish numbers to continue to grow both at the high school, junior high and pee-wee levels.

"We had some (high school) kids hesitant to come out because they've not wrestled in a few years," LaMotte said. "We have 14 kids out in our pee-wee program, so hopefully, down the road our numbers will really grow."

During the course of this

season, the Irish have taken part in the Union Local, Barnesville, St. Clairsville and Shadyside Invitationals. Despite only two entrants, they also took part in a triangular against Bellaire and Madonna.

The Irish's two entrants are listed at 126 and 195 pounds.

Freshman Clay Moore will hold down the 126-pound class. He owns a 9-7 record and a fourth-place finish at St. Clairsville on his resume.

"Clay's doing very well," LaMotte said. "He's making some freshman mistakes, but he's learning more and more each time (on the mat)."

"His weight class is a meat grinder, but he's handling himself well."

Senior foreign exchange

student Edoardo Bonitti will enter at 195 pounds and LaMotte believes he has a solid opportunity to reach the podium.

When he arrived in the United States, Bonitti had never seen a wrestling mat, but he had background in judo.

"One of the kids talked him into wrestling and he's picked it up and done well," LaMotte said.

"He's beaten some good kids. His improvement has been overwhelming and I love to see kids who can do that."

Bonitti has placed third at Shadyside and fourth at St. Clairsville.

After the OVAC and prior to the OHSAA post-season, the Irish will take part in the Buckeye Local Panther Invitational.

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"Matt had a break-out season last year and has really used that momentum to this season," Sansone

remarked.

Junior Logan Thompson began the season at 160 pounds and has since dropped down to 145 pounds. He's currently 11-6 and half of those losses came up two weight classes.

"Logan's been solid, but the weight cut may have cut into his stamina, so he's getting that under control and he's looking to make the podium (at the OVAC)," Sansone said.

Freshman Michael Vannest is expected to get the nod at 132 pounds. He's 6-6 on the season. Junior Colton Stevens is also a viable option at 132. He's 7-2 on the season and placed as an unattached wrestler at Waterloo.

Junior Logan DeLong is expected to represent the Red Devils at 152 pounds. He's been battling a series of injuries, but is expected to be healthy for this week-

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PICTURED IS the 2014-15 St. John Central wrestling team. From left are Shane Tomlin and Clay Moore. Absent was Edoardo Bonitti.



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Union Local seeks strong showing

• Stewart is a defending runnerup at 132 pounds; Jets have had strong early season showings

By KIM NORTH
Times Leader Sports Writer

MORRISTOWN — Union Local head wrestling coach James Lewis knows his team will be hard-pressed to win the always-tough Class 4A title at the 62nd annual Ron Mauck Ohio Valley Athletic Conference Tournament, but he is hoping his Jets can make some noise individually.

The mid-January spectacle begins Thursday night inside downtown Wheeling's WesBanco Arena with the Olympic-style opening ceremonies kicking the three-day event off at 6. First-round matches begin at 6:30.

"We are banged up right now as a team. We have three quality starters out of our lineup, so winning the overall or 4A title will be a long shot for us," Lewis admitted. "The group of kids we have are a great bunch to coach. When we are all together we can be very competitive."

"We would like to see six guys standing on the podium," he added. "We will have our work cut out for us, but they can do it if they set their mind to it."

The Jets will enter 10 individuals, with two expected to receive pretty high seeds. They are juniors Bobby Stewart (138) and Matt McFarland (170).

Stewart was seeded third last year at 132, but reached the finals where he lost a tough, 3-1, decision to top-seeded Isaiah Hood, of University. McFarland was seeded eighth a year ago and advanced to the quarter-finals via a pair of pins before being knocked off by top-seeded Branden Jones, of Steubenville. He lost his first consolation round bout and was eliminated.



UNION LOCAL'S Matt McFarland works toward a pin at the Barnesville Doan Ford Invitational last month. McFarland is unblemished for the season and expects to contend for the 170-pound title.

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Stewart, who was a Division III district qualifier last winter, is currently 28-3. He has won the Barnesville-Doan Ford Invitational and the Rick Link Union Local Invitational, while finishing runnerup at West Jefferson and Coshocton.

"Bobby is a very strong and motivated wrestler," Lewis said. "He is climbing the mountain in the manner we want him to progress this year. Not overlooking this tournament, but our main focus is the state tournament at the end of the year."

McFarland has been a stud this season, winning all 30 of his matches, with most of them being dominant performances, according to Lewis.

"Matt is picking up right where he left off last year," Lewis said of his Division III state qualifier. "He has been dominating 98-percent of his matches and is right on track for No. 1 contention in any event he competes in. Tough kid."

McFarland has championships at the Rick Link Union Local Invitational, the Barnesville-Doan Ford Invitational, the West

Jefferson Invitational and the Coshocton Classic. He was voted the Most Outstanding Wrestler at the Union Local event.

John Howell (126) is the lone senior on the Jets squad. He is 20-8.

"John fills in well at 126 for us," Lewis noted. "He wrestles well when he wants too."

Howell has placed in the top four of all four of the aforementioned tournaments.

Other juniors are Tanner Strain (132) and Jacob Fijalkowski (285). Strain is

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14-12 and won the Barnesville-Doan Ford Invitational.

"He is our most improved wrestler," Lewis said of Strain. "He still needs a lit-

tle drive now and then, but he is progressing very well."

Fijalkowski is back on the mat after a three-year absence, according to

Lewis. He is 12-13.

"He's working on dusting off the cobwebs, but he's moving very well for a big man," Lewis said.

Four sophomores help

make up the UL contingent, those being Chase Whitely (113), Devin Crum (145), Isaiah Palco (152) and Josh Taylor (160). Of those, Crum is 21-8 while the oth-

ers are below the .500 mark.

Crum was one of four Jets to claim titles at the Barnesville-Doan Ford Invitational. He has placed in the top four of the other three.

"Just a solid all-around kid," Lewis said. He's still working some young mistakes out, but all-in-all, he is a tough kid to beat. He never stops."

Whitely will be wrestling in his second OVAC event.

"Chase is starting to work harder every day and is a good kid," Lewis noted.

"Isaiah and Josh are first-year wrestlers who are picking up the sport very well."

The lone freshman is Ben Howell, who has fashioned a fine 21-8 mark in his first season of varsity competition.

"Very tough and aggressive young wrestler," Lewis revealed. "He loves the sport and is very responsive with the will to win. He will make some noise this weekend."

Ben Howell has placed in the top four of all four tournaments the Jets have competed in.

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end. Senior Charlie Hall, who was fourth at St. Clairsville, is another option.

Carson Ernest is expected to make his season debut this weekend at 285 pounds. He's worked to get down to weight and Sansone expects him to make an immediate impact once he's able to get on the mat.

Sophomore Jamie Creer is the Red Devils' entrant at 106 pounds. He's currently 7-9 on the season.

At 160 pounds, junior Tanner Heath will be entered. He's a first-year wrestler, but has been making steady progress, according to Sansone.

After the OVAC, the Red Devils have the Brooke

Classic, Magnolia Tournament, a tri with Meadowbrook and Buckeye Local, an assembly match with Barnesville and they'll compete in the OHSAA duals.

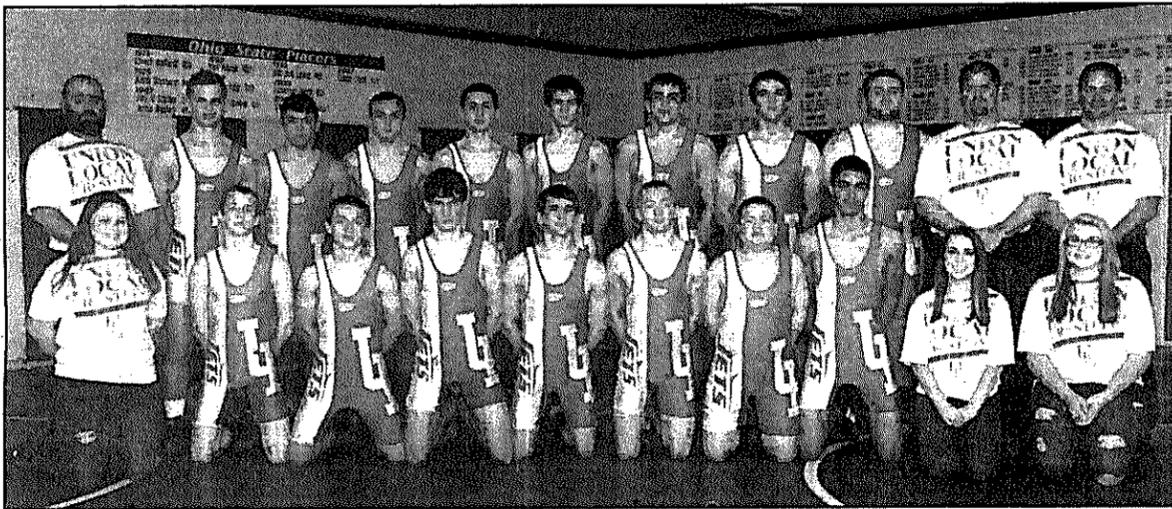
"We wanted to stay on the mat as much as we could in January and really build for the postseason," Sansone confessed.

Sansone's coaching staff is comprised of an impressive collection of former area wrestlers. Bryan Skoff, Levi Holcomb and Bobby Richmond are serving as assistants to Sansone.

"It's a young staff, but we're working well together and they're working well with the kids to get them better," Sansone said.



UNION LOCAL JETS



Photo/PAUL KRAJNYAK

PICTURED IS the 2014-15 Union Local wrestling team. Front row, from left, are Jennifer Paynter, Chase Whitely, Ben Howell, John Howell, Tanner Strain, Brian McWhorter, Brandon Taylor, Isaiah Palko, Serena Lodge and Samantha Kovacs. Second row, from left, are head coach James Lewis, Bobby Stewart, Shamus Thompson, Nik Wright, Braden Robinson, Devin Crum, Matt McFarland, Josh Taylor, Jacob Fijalkowski, assistant coach Ben McFarland and assistant coach J.P. Gregg.

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Harrison seeking strong showing

By RICK THORP
Times Leader Sports Writer

CADIZ — Harrison Central has always boasted a rich tradition when it comes to wrestling. A plethora of class crowns at the Ron Mauck OVAC Championships can attest to that.

It's been six years since the Huskies last claimed an overall championship inside WesBanco Arena. And while Harrison Central head coach Bill Bryant doesn't think his team will hoist the hardware this week, he does believe some of his entrants have an opportunity to snare some individual accolades.

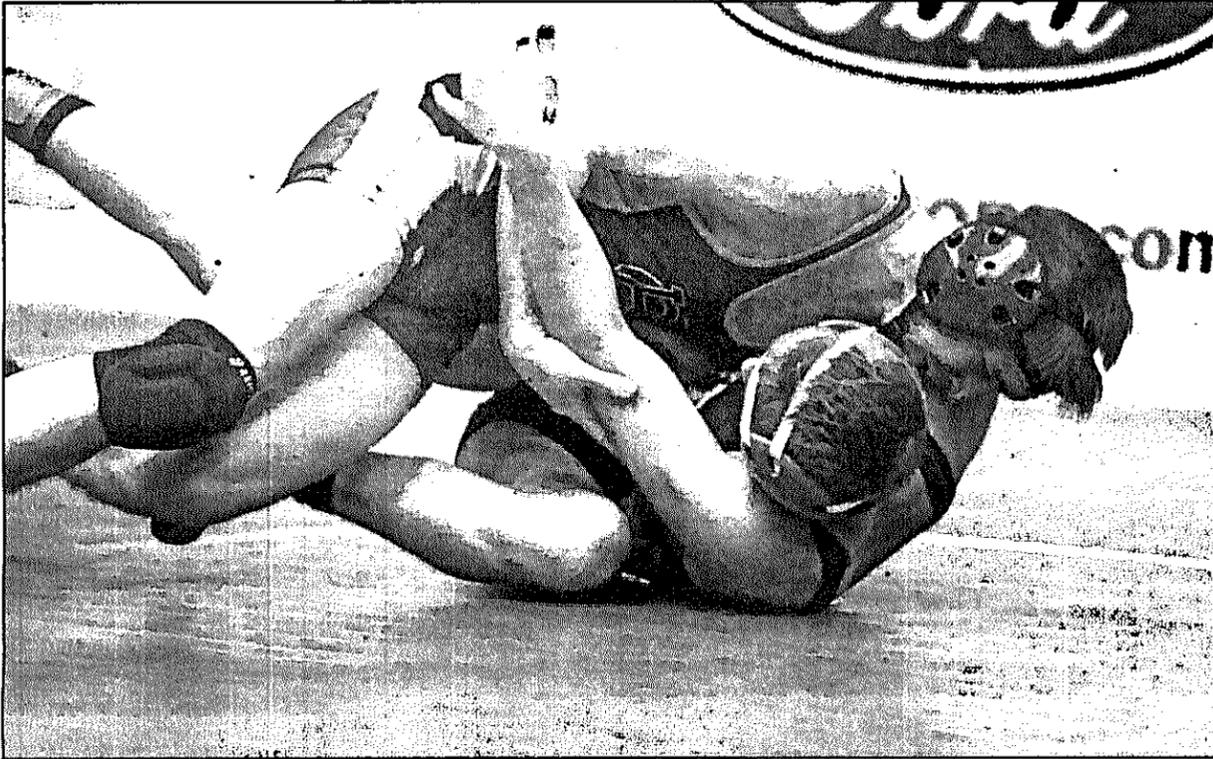
"We always expect to place kids," he said. "I'd like to put some kids in the finals and have a good team showing."

"I think we'll do better than anticipated, considering we have so many young kids in our lineup."

Harrison Central boasts just one senior and two juniors. Still, Bryant is excited about the the potential of his unit.

"There's been a lot of teaching going on," he said. "It's a very coachable group."

"We opened the season at the Dover Duals and we kind of struggled there. But we continued to get better. We went to the West Jefferson Invitational and improved the growth we've had. I hope we continue to



HARRISON CENTRAL'S Hunter Pizzino works toward a pin in last year's Ron Mauck OVAC Wrestling Tournament. Pizzino is one of the Huskies to watch this season after he earned a third-place finish in 2014. Pizzino will compete at 138 pounds.

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move forward and I hope our best wrestling is (at the OVACs)."

When action gets under way Thursday, the Huskies will be in contention in a handful of weight classes, including 138, where senior Hunter Pizzino looks to build on a solid 2014 finish.

"I'd like to see him in the finals," Bryant said. "I'd like to see him step off the mat and finish his high school career with an OVAC title. I know he'll

have some stiff competition.

"I know he's put in a lot of time, and I know he wants that OVAC title."

Pizzino (9-1) finished third at OVACs last year en route to an appearance at the state tournament. He's coming off a second-place showing at the West Jefferson Invite. He was seventh and fourth at OVACs his sophomore and freshman seasons, respectively.

"Hunter has been

plagued with medical issues all year and I'm hoping he is healthy and ready to go" Bryant said.

Brandon White, a junior, also finished second at the West Jefferson Invite. He placed fifth at 113 in last season's OVAC Tournament and was a state qualifier.

"Brandon looked real good at West Jefferson, wrestling the best I've seen from him," Bryant said of White (15-3). "Brandon will be making his first

(OVAC) appearance at 113 this year, so we'll have to

see if that affects him any."

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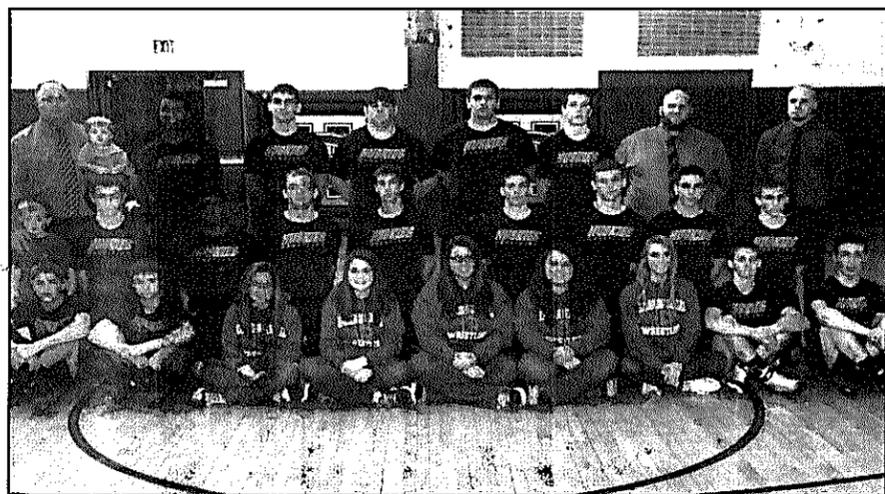


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 PICTURED IS the 2014-15 Harrison Central wrestling team. Front row, from left, are Jabyn Moore, Owen Ott, statisticians Taylor Kinsey, Joyce Barr, Joelle Jones, Mariah Kurn, Ashley Heavin, J.R. Heavilin and John Mitchell. Second row, from left, are Dylan Risley, Malcomb Boyer, Bobby Taylor, Holden Garrett, Hunter Pizzino, Antony Risley, Coleman Dodds and Brandon White. Third row, from left, are head coach Bill Bryant, manager Cael Bryant, manager Brasen Bryant, Danier Hunt, Shane Jenkins, Brenton Stull, Clay Gilliam, Bailey Eberhart, assistant coaches Tony Crothers and Zach McKibben. Absent were assistant coaches Brad Bryant, Paul Coffland, Todd Dunlap and Anthony Hayes.

Wheeling Park young, but still formidable

By **SETH STASKEY**
 Times Leader Sports Editor

WHEELING – The year doesn't seem to matter.

When it's time for the annual Ron Mauck OVAC Wrestling Tournament, the Wheeling Park Patriots always seem to rise to the occasion.

Head coach Jack Doyle hopes that trend continues this weekend as he and his team get set for the 62nd annual tournament, which opens Thursday at WesBanco Arena.

"I keep talking about wanting to peak at the right time," Doyle said. "We've been working to get as healthy as possible, so we wrestle our best at the OVAC. A lot of people will be picking South and Steubenville and rightfully so, but I think when all is said and done, we could be one of the top stories of the weekend."

While South and Steubenville are the

pre-tournament favorites both overall and in Class 5A, Wheeling Park won't spend too much time worrying about those squads. It's a matter of wrestling who's in front of them on the bracket.

"We worry about ourselves and scoring as many points and getting as many guys to place as we can," Doyle continued. "In individual tournaments, the kids are wrestling for themselves, but if they lose, it's about the team and picking up as many tech falls, major decisions and as many bonus points as possible. South and Steubenville are good teams and we'll have some work to do to compete, but I think we'll give ourselves an opportunity."

The Patriots have certainly tested themselves in preparation for what's on the docket this weekend. They've competed at the North Canton Hoover tournament, placing 12th. They also made the trip to See, PARK, Page 26

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Huskies' other junior, just moved to 152. He sports a 16-3 mark.

"He's very deserving of being on the podium and finishing very high in the tournament," Bryant said. "He and Hunter are team captains and we expect them to lead by example."

Risley was third at West

Jefferson.

"Antony has gotten better on his feet and I think that is going to help him place," Bryant said. "He is a very hard worker in the room and is a coachable kid that deserves to be on the podium come Saturday night."

Of the large sophomore class, 220-pounder Brenton Stull boasts the best mark, 12-7.

"He's struggled cutting weight, but is 10-3 since the opening weekend," Bryant said of Stull, fifth at West Jefferson. "I look for him to be on the podium Saturday night."

Other sophomores in the mix this week include – Danier Hunt (160), Malcomb Boyer (170), Shane Jenkins (182), Bobby Taylor (195) and Clay Gilliam (285).

"Gilliam could be a sleeper," Bryant noted of the now 7-3 entrant. "He has battled some injuries this season and I'm glad to get him back on the mat."

Freshmen JR Heavilin (11-7, 120) and Coleman Dodds (7-10, 145) were fourth and sixth at West Jefferson, respectively.

"JR is doing what's expected of him and more impressively is the work ethic that I'm getting from him and his practice partner, Owen Ott"

Dodds recently moved to 145.

"I think this will be a tough weight class and Coleman as the potential to place if he wrestles to his ability," Bryant said.

Other freshmen on the mat for the Huskies include – Ott (106), Dylan Risley (126) and Bailey Eberhart (132).

Additional team members are sophomore John Mitchell (138) and freshman Jabyn Moore (120).

Bryant is assisted by an experienced staff that includes Zach McKibben, Anthony Hayes, Todd Dunlap, Brad Bryant, Paul Coffland and Tony Crothers.

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in the beginning of the season that they'd need a good record coming into the OVAC, so we could help them as much as possible in the (seed) meeting," Muntz said.

The Seminoles won't have an entrant at 106, 113, 160 and 170 this weekend.

Monroe Central's competitor at 120 and 220 are high quality and should be around well into Saturday night.

At 120 pounds, senior Rodney Richter holds down the fort. The unquestioned Seminoles' leader placed fourth at the OVAC last season and is a two-time state qualifier.

Richter comes into his final OVAC tournament with a spotless 18-0 record. He owns championships at Barnesville and Shadyside.

"Rodney knows the level he needs to be at to get to where he wants to go and he's working hard at it every day," Muntz said. "He's really come on as a leader and is pushing all of the guys in the practice room to get better.

At 220 pounds, junior Tanner Potts gets the call. He comes into the OVAC, which he placed seventh in a season ago, with a strong 16-0 record. A champion at both Barnesville and

Shadyside, Potts qualified for the state tournament last season.

"Last year, at the state, Tanner lost two heart-breaking matches and he learned the work he needs to put in to get to the level he wants to reach," Muntz said. "He's off to a great start and is looking for a big weekend at the OVAC."

The Seminoles have a quality entrant at 285 pounds in Justin Kilburn, who won a wrestle-off against Colton Robinson (3-2) for the right to compete this weekend.

Kilburn is 9-2 on the season and didn't wrestle in last year's OVAC after losing a wrestle-off. He did enter the postseason and finished fifth in the district.

Senior Chase Carothers has had a strong early season at 152 pounds. He's 13-4 on the season. He was an OVAC placer in 2013, but battled injuries much of last season.

"He's battling back and really starting to find his groove," Muntz said.

Junior Patrick Craig has battled his way to a 12-8 record at 145 pounds.

"Patrick is a hard worker, who comes in every day and just does the job," Muntz said. "He's steadily gotten better since his freshman season. If we could sneak

him onto the podium this weekend, it would be big."

The Seminoles will enter a Richter at 126 pounds, too. Freshman Renee Richter comes in with a 3-7 record.

At 132 pounds, junior Jaren Hupp (4-11) will hold down the spot. He's back out for the team after not competing last season.

Freshman J.C. Brooks gets the call at 138 pounds for the Seminoles. He's 6-10 on the season.

Senior Adam Blackstone will enter at 182 pounds. He's off to a 4-11 start as he rounds back into form after opting not to compete the last two seasons.

Freshman Brendan Wilson will wrestle at 195 pounds, despite giving up a lot of weight. He's currently 5-11.

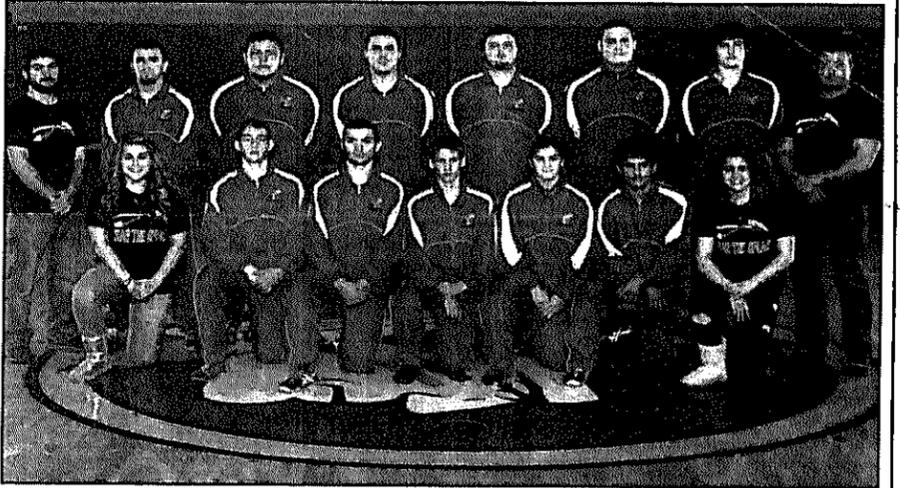
"Our older guys and the guys who've been on the big stage are good on the leadership role and making sure theyounger guys are working hard," Muntz said. "Those veterans we have are really making our job, as coaches, easier.

After the OVAC, the Seminoles will take part in a triangular with Barnesville and Union Local. They'll also take part in a dual-meet tournament at Caldwell.

Muntz is assisted by Ryan Richter.



MONROE CENTRAL SEMINOLES



Photo/PAUL KRAJNYAK
PICTURED IS the 2014-15 Monroe Central wrestling team. Front row, from left, are Maddie Craig, Patrick Craig, Rodney Richter, Colton Koehler, Renee Richter, J.C. Brooks and Jacklynn Christman. Back row, from left, are assistant coach Ryan Richter, Chase Carothers, Justin Kilburn, Adam Blackstone, Tanner Potts, Colton Robinson, Brendan Wilson and head coach Robert Muntz.

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"He's recovered well from his injury, and I give him a whole lot of credit," Zervos said.

"He's done the majority of it on his own. He's worked so hard to put on a lot of muscle size and strength. He's travelled around to get mat time and wrestle in some pretty tough summer tournaments in the fall.

"I'm looking forward to a big tournament from him."

Zervos said Mowder is certainly motivated to make up for the lost opportunity he missed last season.

"He always has high goals," he said.

"The one thing that has really come around this year, and I'm really pleased to see it, is he's become a

team leader. He's pulling his weight a lot of ways. He's the voice of our team."

Junior Brandon Bertrand (22-4) is John Marshall's other wrestler with experience reaching the podium. He finished seventh at 113 pounds last season, and he returns to the 113 field this week.

"He's limited on his

skills, but he's a hard-nosed kid and he's in a fairly good weight class," Zervos said. "He'll be able to compete with any of them if he pulls his game together."

Another junior, Chad Tubaugh sports a 17-10 mark at 138 pounds.

"Chad was a promising freshman, then took last season off to deal with some health issues," Zervos said. "He's a tough competitor and has some good skills. I just hoping he falls in a good place on the bracket. I think he can advance out pretty far if he gets in the right place."

Another wrestler to watch is sophomore Cody Holmes (13-3).

"He's a great athlete and

a fantastic cross country runner," Zervos stated.

Zervos said Holmes recently returned from dealing with some personal issues, but expects him to be ready to go this week.

"He's a natural athlete who can have an excellent tournament."

One entrant Zervos said may surprise some folks is junior Marshall Eckelberry. While his record is around .500, Zervos believes he has what it takes to reach the podium.

"He's a great kid, works extremely hard at practice and he's one of those that will do anything you ask of him," Zervos said. "He always knows how to keep the matches close."

The remainder of the Monarchs' lineup includes junior Ralph Dunlap (132), sophomores Sam West (145), Joey Cacace (195) and Nathan Simmons (285), and freshmen Zach Thomas (120), Slayer Gray (126), Brandon Durrab (182) and Gabe McCardle (220).

"I like the kids we have," Zervos said. "I think they'll develop into some good kids in the future."

Zervos is assisted by former Oak Glen wrestler Ryan Asbury, along with Paul and Roger Simmons. Former JM head coaches Hinegardner and Ed Dugas also are on hand to pass along their expertise.



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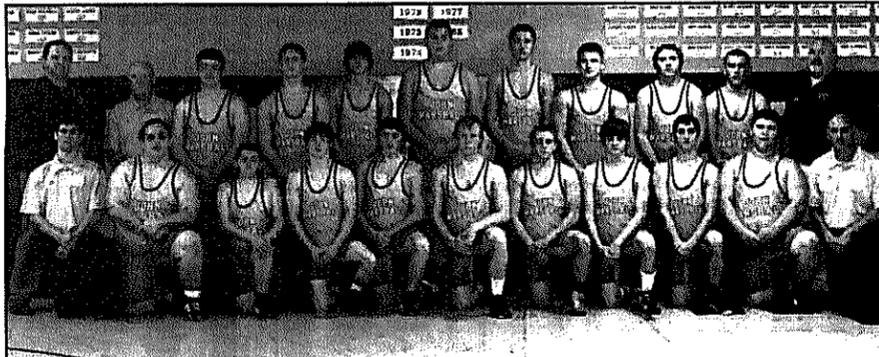


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Linsly looking to make school history

By **SETH STASKEY**
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WHEELING – Numbers are up and so are expectations for Linsly.

The Cadets are attempting to accomplish history this weekend as they open the 62nd annual Ron Mauck OVAC Wrestling Tournament Thursday night.

Linsly – with 13 weight classes filled – are looking to take the next step after finishing second in Class 3A last season and claim the top prize come Saturday night.

“We have a good group of kids with a lot of experience,” Linsly head coach Brian Valentine said. “We return a lot of good kids from last year, and I really think we can be competitive.”

The Class 3A title race appears to be extremely wide open and the Cadets are considered one of the pre-tournament favorites.

“The kids understand the magnitude of the event and want to make the history and become the first group to bring a championship back to Linsly wrestling,” Valentine said. “We will need to be on our ‘A’ game all weekend because there’s a lot of good competition.”

To prepare itself for the rigors of the OVAC, Linsly has competed in the Barnesville and Cameron Invationals. It put up solid showings in both events.

“We had champions in both events and a lot of other kids place,” Valentine said. “We’re also 3-0 in duals, so things are going well for us.”

Once the tournament begins, Valentine knows it’ll be important for his guys to avoid the one big mistake during matches. He also knows the importance of the seeding and bracketing process.

“We have to set the kids up the way we can to give them a chance to win as

many matches as they can in the tournament,” Valentine said. “And once a kid loses in the championship bracket, he’s going to have to fight his way back.”

Leading the way for the Cadets is senior Chuck Chuckwu, who finished second last season at 285 pounds. He’s currently 9-1 on the season and was third at Barnesville.

“We feel like Chuck gave that (OVAC championship) match away last year when he made two mistakes,” Valentine said. “When he wrestles his match and style, he can beat anyone in the OVAC.”

Sophomore Tommy Curtin is one to keep an eye on at 126 pounds. He’s off to an 13-0 start and was named MVP at the Cameron tournament. He

placed third at 106 pounds in the OVAC last year.

“Tommy’s done very well and I would never count him out of any match,” Valentine said.

Junior Von Wooding is off to an impressive 11-2 start and wrestles at 182 pounds. He won at Cameron and placed third at Barnesville.

“If Von continues to wrestle his matches intelligently, I think he has a good chance to place,” Valentine said.

The Brothers Giovengo – Victor and Gage – are off to solid starts at 138 and 195 pounds, respectively.

Victor – a freshman – is 8-5 and has two of his losses at 145 pounds. Gage – a sophomore – is 11-2 and owns a third-place finish at both Barnesville and Cameron.

Freshman Jonathna Kenny is another to keep an eye on this weekend, according to Valentine. Kenny is 5-6 in his first season.

Senior Brady Bower is 7-4 on the season and holds down the fort at 132 pounds. He’s placed fourth at Barnesville and third at Cameron.

Seniors Max Yanovich

and Myles Oladimeji are entered at 170 and 220, respectively.

Freshman Matt Dudich is the Cadets entry at 106 pounds, while junior Thomas Mossman gets the call at 120.

Senior Matt Schwartz is on the bracket at 145 pounds, while sophomore Ronald Cico is at 152.

Linsly won’t enter a com-

petitor at 113 pounds despite a roster that has 18 grapplers.

After the conference tournament, Linsly will compete in the OVAC Duals, the Wellsville Tournamnet, a quad at Kiski, the Magnolia tournament and a quad at JM.

Valentine is assisted by Tom Giovengo and Tom Hastings.



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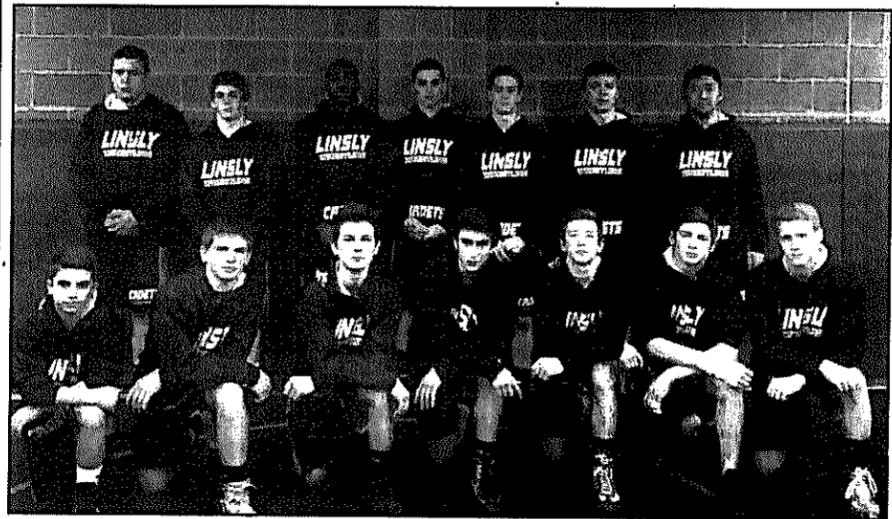


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PICTURED IS the 2014-15 Linsly wrestling team. Front row, from left, are Matt Dudich, Victor Giovengo, Thomas Mosman, Ronald Chlco, Tommy Curtin, Brady Bower and Matt Schwarz. Back row, from left, are Andy Sul, Gage Giovengo, Von Wooding, Jared Schacter, Chuck Chukwu, Jonathan Kenny, Edward Manoll.

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Louisville for the Gladiator Tournament and again hosted the Park Duals, where they finished eighth overall.

"I've felt good about how we've competed," Doyle noted. "Our guys have been tested and the effort our kids have put forth should pay off this weekend and down the road."

The Patriots have a roster of 28 competitors, but won't fill all 14 weight classes this weekend. Doyle expects nary an entrant at 106 or 285 pounds.

"We have good numbers, but we have a back log of guys between 132 and 152," Doyle said. "We may only have 11 based on injuries, so that makes competing for the team title tough. Other teams don't just fill weight classes, they have talented kids in their lineup."

A pair of seniors lead the way for the Patriots, who must replace Bierkorette Award winner Jonny Davis.

Dallas Basicak will enter at 126 pounds. He is a defending OVAC champion

and West Virginia Class AAA state runnerup. He's currently 25-0 on the season and won both of the aforementioned tournaments.

"Dallas knows he's getting everyone's best shot each time he steps on the mat," Doyle said. "People know him and his style, but he knows how to make adjustments and finds a way."

Dylan Taylor will go after his second OVAC title at 145 pounds. A champion in 2013, Taylor settled for third last season. He went on to win the Class AAA state championship and is currently 23-3 this season.

"I think Dylan may have went into last year's tournament expecting the championship to just be handed to him," Doyle said. "He got beat and it refocused him on how he needs to prepare and come into every match."

Senior Austin DiGiandomenico holds down the fort at 152 pounds for the Patriots. He's currently 17-6 and Doyle

believes he could be someone to reckon with this weekend.

"Austin's wrestling well," Doyle said. "He's a big, tall kid who is going to give everyone he wrestles fits."

Senior Tommy Ricker has also been impressive with 20 wins already this season. The recipient of the 'Most Improved Award' last season, he's carried that momentum into this season.

Isaiah Myers is another to keep an eye on for Park. At 220 pounds, he was runnerup at the Gladiator and placed sixth at North Canton. He owns a 20-4 record and is looking to improve on his fifth-place finish at last year's OVAC.

Sophomore James Parsons has bumped up to 132 pounds after placing third at 113 last season, despite being unseeded. Parsons is 16-6 this season.

"James was a headline last year (during the OVAC) and I think he has the capability to do it again," Doyle said.

Freshman John Nash has had an impressive rookie season at 160 pounds, posting a 20-5 record thus far.

The balance of the Patriots lineup includes: freshman Tylor Sansone (113 pounds, 10-14); freshman Gage Jaquay (120 pounds, 2-9); junior Jonathan Skeens (138 pounds, 8-12); freshman Mason Miklas (170 pounds, 7-10); Jetoues Smith (195 pounds).

Doyle is assisted by Clay Tucker, Justin Goneau and Steve Shaffer.

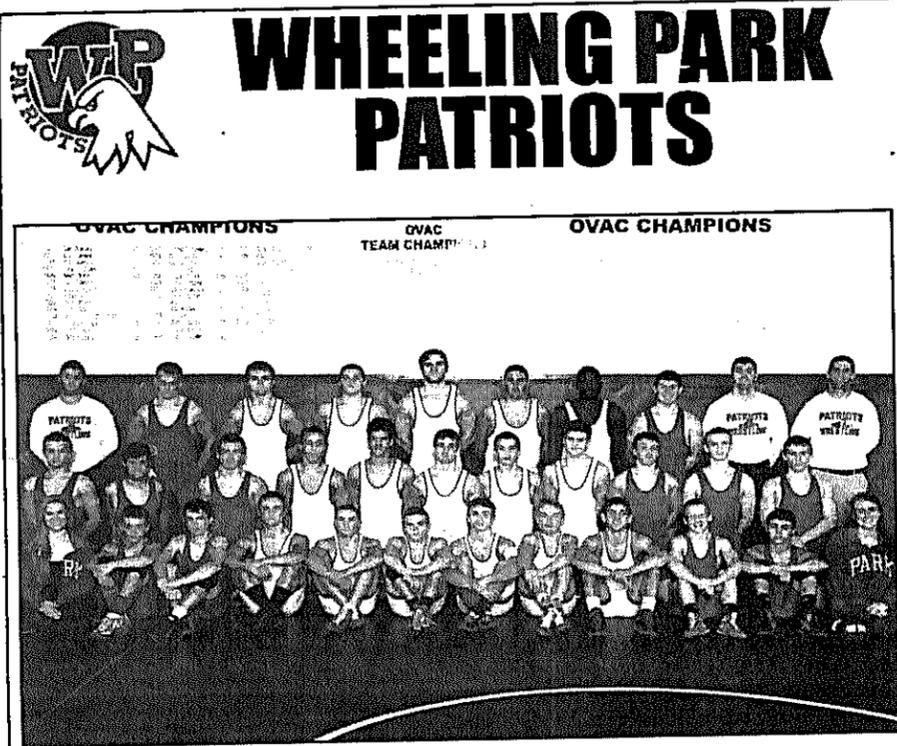


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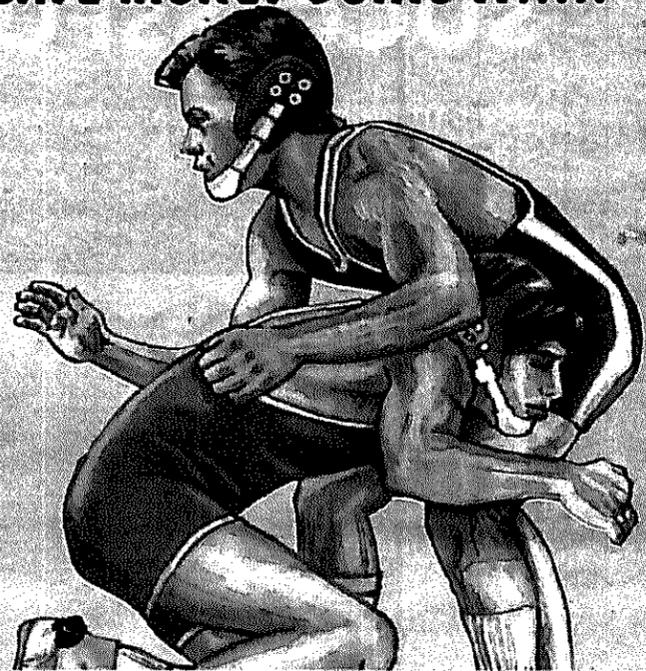
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106: Hubbard (STEU) d. Martin (PS), f. 2:56. 113: Potts (EL) d. Henson (UNIV), 14-12. 120: Wilson (STEU) d. Richter (MC), f. 2:54; 126: Baciak (WP) d. Daley (ED), f. 3:06; 132: Goff (STEU) d. Keyes (BVL), 4-1. 138: Jenkins (MEAD) def. Pizzino (HC), 1-0. 145: Hasson (BVL) d. Taylor (WP), 10-6. 152: Lopez (UNIV) d. 2 Brett Kahl (SHAD), 5-2. 160: DeLong (PS) d. Shaw (MAD), f. 2:48. 170: Alexander (PS) md. 2 Matt McFarland (UL), 13-2. 182: Jones (STEU) d. Allman (PS), 7-6 OT. 195: Newhart-Koreski (PS) d. Mercer (CAMB), 4-2. 220: Chukwu (LIN) d. 3 Thomas Hall (PS), 6-2. 285: Bloor (WELL) d. 1 Jon Bodkin (MF), 4-3 OT.

3RD PLACE
106: Bookman (BVL) d. Young (SCC), 4-2. 113: Quinn (SHAD) d. White (HC), 5-2. 120: Conkier (SCC) d. Curtin (LIN), 6-4. 126: Oiler (EL) d. Wood

(CAM), 9-2. 132: Nangle (PS) d. Gaydesh (IC), 8-0. 138: Stewart (UL) d. Tica (OG), 3-2. 145: Lamblotte (PS) d. Jenkins (MEAD), 6-5. 152: Windland (PS) d. Moray (STEU), inj. 160: Moweder (JM) d. Howler (BARN), 5-0. 170: Lowery (TOR) f. Wotring (MORG), 1:44. 182: Ramage (MEAD) d. Hoover (MF), 1-0. 195: Barber (BVL) d. Bunfill (BARN), 8-2. 220: Furbee (STC) d. Bodkin, 8-1. 285: D. Mills (PS) d. N. Mills (OG), 6-2.

5TH PLACE
106: Ice (EL) d. Debee (OG), 10-0. 113: Johnson (WEIR) d. Dawson (BVL), 3-2. 120: Hague (IC) f. Roberts (PS), 4:35. 126: Collins (PS) d. Kahl (SHAD), 7-0. 132: Parsons (WP) f. Good (MAD), 2-10. 138: Hubbard (STEU) d. Rayner (CALD), 2-0 OT. 145: Johnson (SHAD), d. Fisher (ED) forf. 152: Digiandomenico (WPI) d. Coleman (MF), 6-4. 160: Sokolowski (BL) d. Livingston (STEU), 7-

5. 170: Deffenbaugh (STEU) d. McConaughay (MAG), 10-6. 182: Nice (MAG) d. Wells (ED), 10-6. 195: Myers (WP) d. Albertson, 5-3. 220: Potts (MC) f. Moore (STEU), 4:41. 285: Rucker (CALD) f. Kiburn (MC), 4:35.

7TH PLACE
106: Zoumpolidis (MF) f. Holmes (JM), 7-6. 113: Cline (PS) d. Anderson, 2-18. 120: Howell (UL) d. Wilson (BARN), ft. 126: Starkey (TOR) f. Reed (CAMB) 3-40. 132: Spalla (CAM) d. Adams (MAG), 8-4. 138: Taylor (PS) d. Griffin (BARN), 1-0. 145: Arneault (OG) d. Thompson (STC), 3-1. 152: Shuman (OG) d. Risley (HC), 4-3. 180: Nash (WP) f. Frisco (UNIV), 3:23. 170: Pershing (CAMB) f. Yohn (UNIV), :58. 182: Ricker (WP) f. Mayfield (EL), 2:59. 195: Giovengo (LIN) d. Doll (BKE), 8-4. 220: Price (OG) d. Poling (CALD), 4-3. 285: Powers (MORG) d. Soloman (STEU), 10-7.

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106 - Hubbard (Steub) vs. Creer (StC); Bye vs. Brown (Shady); Bye vs. Cain (Weir); Stephens (Meadow) vs. Zoumpoulidis (MF); Young (SCC) vs. Ott (HC); Bye vs. Harris (Tor); Bonar (Tyler) vs. Berberich (Bell); Cecil (Mag) vs. Bookman (Beav); Martin (PS) vs. Good (Camb); Bye vs. Niswonger (Cald); Riney (Brk) vs. Bye; Merrill (Morg) vs. Ice (EL); Holmes (JM) vs. Porter (WP); Gurrera (Mad) vs. Bye; Dudich (Lins) vs. Bye; Starkey (IC) vs. DeBee (OG).

113 - Henson (U) vs. Baker (Mag); Bye vs. Frizzell (Meadow); Bye vs. Anderson (Tor); Whitely (UL) vs. Johnson (Weir); Dawson (Beav) vs. Wood (Steub); Bye vs. Irvin (SCC); Raines (Bealls) vs. Bye; Richter (MC) vs. Cline (PS); Quinn (Shady) vs. Sansone (WP); Bye vs. Grow (CB); ReJordan (Brk) vs. Bye; Bertrand (JM) vs. Ball (Camb); White (HC) vs. Alletta (IC); Kleiner (Ed) vs. Bye; Mackey (Cam) vs. Bye; Salisbury (Morg) vs. Potts (EL).

120 - Wilson (Steub) vs. Clark (Shen); Weimer (Morg) vs. Schockling (Cald); Bye vs. Walter (Tor); Marrelli (BL) vs. Zeiders (U); Curtin (Lins) vs. Pulice (Mad); Bookman (Beav) vs. Hunter (Shady); Sarge (EL) vs. Stocker (Camb); Logan (Ed) vs. Coniker (SCC); Nice (Mag) vs. Marling (Bell); Wilson (Barnes) vs. Heavilin (HC); Howell (UL) vs. Harper (Meadow); Jaquay (WP) vs. Hague (IC); Roberts (PS) vs. Davis (Cam); Bamhart (Brk) vs. Bye; Bozek (OG) vs. Thomas (JM); Wilson (Weir) vs. Ro. Richter (MC).

126 - Baclak (WP) vs. Gray (Steub); Barnes (BL) vs. Riter (Mag); Bye vs. Riskey (HC); Watson (CB) vs. Reed (Camb); Oiler (EL) vs. Mazik (IC); Moore (Morg) vs. Vincenzo (StC); Martsolf (Beav) vs. Gray (JM); Lengyel (Weir) vs. Wood (Cam); Starkey (Tor) vs. Strous (Barnes); Moore (SJC) vs. Heavilin (SCC); J. Howell (UL) vs. D. Raines (Bealls); Summerlin (U) vs. Daley (Ed); Collins (PS) vs. Gattrell (Meadow); Blankenship (MF) vs. Bye; Smith (Mad) vs. Dean (Bpt); Mosman (Lins) vs. J. Kahl (Shady).

132 - Goff (Steub) vs. Browne/Eckenrod; Callarik (BL) vs. Forquer (CB); Ray (Morg) vs. Bower (Lins); Seese (FF) vs. Pickenpaugh (Cald); Gaydosh (IC) vs. Caley (Camb); Cade (Ed) vs. Strain (UL); Spalla (Cam) vs. Stevens (StC); Perdue/Wilhelm vs. Parsons (WP); Nangle (PS) vs. Eberhart/Skapik; Dunlap (JM) vs. Savage (Tor); Z. Daugherty (Bealls) vs. Stewart (Riv); Kramer (Meadow) vs. Good (Mad); Rohrbough (U) vs. Mead (TC); Adams (Mag) vs. Loy (EL); Wright (Weir) vs. Hupp (MC); Haggerty/Kuebler (MF) vs. Keyes (Beav).

138 - T. Jenkins (Meadow) vs. Davis (Beav); Russell (MF) vs. Baird (Mag); Bye vs. Griffin (Barnes); Hupp-Lasure (Morg) vs. Hamlin (U); Rayner (Cald) vs. Mason (BL); Kirby (WP) vs. Mazik (IC); Weaver vs. Bond (Shen); Blystone (EL) vs. Tice (OG); Pizzino (HC) vs. Yost (Brk); Tubaug (JM) vs. Baldwin (Cam); Alwine (StC) vs. Baker (FF); Highley (Mag) vs. Hubbard (Steub); Taylor (PS) vs. Brooks (MC); Schulteis (Riv) vs. bye; V. Giovengo (Lins) vs. Hawthorne (Shady); Coen (Bpt) vs. Stewart (UL).

145 - Taylor (WP) vs. Neavin/Nelson; Todd (Mad) vs. Craig (MC); Monte (Wells) vs. Fisher (Ed); Binkiewicz (BL) vs. Johnson (Shady); Arneault (OG) vs. Ferguson (Steub); Campbell (Mag) vs. Crum (UL); Petry (Cald) vs. Keichum (EL); Eakle (IC) vs. Lambiotte (S); Hasson (Beav) vs. Schmlesing (SCC); Taylor (Riv) vs. Dodds (HC); Cottrell (U) vs. Hagood (Morg); Fox (Camb) vs. Kirby (CB); Cooper (TC) vs. Hickman (Barnes); Schlieper (Cam) vs. Thompson (StC); West (JM) vs. Schwarz (Lins); Masters (Bell) vs. B. Jenkins (Meadow).

152 - Lopez (U) vs. Weldy (Barnes); Chico (Lins) vs. Zonker (Brk); Bye vs. McAtee (IC); Love (Meadow) vs. Riskey (HC); Coleman (MF) vs. Bigler (Tor); Palco (UL) vs. Eckelberry (JM); Street (Mag) vs. Miscuk (EL); Vance (Bealls) vs. Moray (Steub); Winland (PS) vs. Clawges (Morg); Ekey (Mad) vs. Adams (Beav); Starcher (Cam) vs. Forquer (OG); Dayton (Ed) vs. Shuman (CB); Diglandomenico (WP) vs. Talbot (Riv); Carothers (MC) vs. Bye; Morrow (BL) vs. DeLong (StC); Wood (Shen) vs. B. Kahl (Shady).

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182 - Jones (Steub) vs. Durrak (JM); Alvis (Tor) vs. Plumly (Barnes); Bye vs. Valachovic (U); Bobby (Beav) vs. Jones (BL); Nice (Mag) vs. Jenkins (HC); Bye vs. Freeman (Shen); Kusic (Bpt) vs. Chadwick (OG); Blackstone (MC) vs. Wells (Ed); Hoover (MF) vs. Jarman (IC); Winters (FF) vs. Matusik (Riv); Mayfield (EL) vs. Cobb (Cald); Webber (CB) vs. Ramage (Meadow); Rusch (Morg) vs. Ricker (WP); Miller (Cam) vs. Bye; Tokash (Mad) vs. Wooding (Lins); High (Camb) vs. Allman (PS).

195 - Newhart-Koreski (PS) vs. Price (Bell); Saling (Shen) vs. Webster (U); Bye vs. Pitcher (Morg); Johnson (BL) vs. G. Giovengo (Lins); Bunfill (Barnes) vs. Harris (Ed); Felton (Riv) vs. Flowers (OG); Ekey (Mad) vs. Rogers (SCC); Yates (FF) vs. Barber (Beav); Albertson (Steub) vs. Robinson (Shady); Taylor (HC) vs. Burge (Cam); Fogle (Tor) vs. Rice (MF); Hundley (Bpt) vs. Doll (Brk); Myers (WP) vs. Russell (IC); Keys (TC) vs. Bonetti (SJC); Hatfield (Mag) vs. Cacace (JM); McCoy (Weir) vs. Mercer (Camb).

220 - Chukwu (Lins) vs. Tidwell/Mitchell; Fijalkowski (UL) vs. Mcle (U); Mathony (FF) vs. Price (OG); Murr (Bpt) vs. Dozier (EL); H. Bodkin (MF) vs. Eddy (TC); McCardie (JM) vs. Riddle (Beav); Pearson (Weir) vs. Householder (Tor); DeFelice (Shady) vs. Potts (MC); Hall (PS) vs. Cook (BL); Edgell (Brk) vs. Wilson (Mag); Perdue (Barnes) vs. Robinson (IC); Sheets (Ed) vs. Poling (Cald); Moore (Steub) vs. Cuervo (SCC); Smith (WP) vs. Moore (Camb); Stull (HC) vs. Potts (Beal); Eddy (Mad) vs. Furbee (StC).

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WRESTLING

62nd Annual Ron Mauck OVAC Wrestling Tournament

(at WesBanco Arena, Wheeling)
1. Parkersburg South 50; 2. Steubenville 43.5; 3. University 32.4; Oak Glen 28; 5. Beaver Local 27.5; 6. Magnolia 26; 7. Wheeling Park 25.5; 8. Toronto 24; 9. Linsly 22; 10. (tie) East Liverpool, Shadydale 21.5; 12. Union Local 20; 13. (tie) Barnesville, Martins Ferry 18; 15. (tie) Edison, Monroe Central, Morgantown 16; 18. (tie) John Marshall, Madonna 15; 20. Caldwell 14; 21. (tie) Meadowbrook, River 12; 23. Steubenville Catholic Central 11.5; 24. (tie) Harrison Central, Indian Creek 11; 26. (tie) Cambridge, St. Clairsville 10; 28. Buckeye Local 8.5; 29. (tie) Cameron, Wellsville 8; 31. (tie) Beallsville, Brooke 6; 33. (tie) Bridgeport, St. John Central, Tyler Consolidated, Weir 4; 37. Clay-Battelle 2; 38. (tie) Bellaire, Fort Frye, Shenandoah 0.

FIRST ROUND CHAMPIONSHIPS
106 - Hubbard (Steub) p. Creer (StC), 0:24; Zoumpoulidis (MF) d. Stephens (Mead), 10:8; Young (SCC) p. Ott (HC), 0:59; Bookman (BvL) p. Cecil (Mag), 0:47; Martin (PS) p. Good (Camb), 3:58; Ice (EL) p. Berberich (Bell), 0:09; Holmes (JM) p. Porter (WP), 3:29; DeBee (OG) p. Starkey (IC), 0:58.

113 - Henson (U) p. Baker (Mag), 0:24; Johnson (Weir), p. Whitely (UL), 1:26; Dawson (BvL) tf. Wood (Steub); Cline (PS) p. Richter (MC), 0:11; Quinn (SS) p. Sansone (WP), 1:59; White (HC) p. Price (IC), 1:10; Potts (EL) p. Salisbury (Morg), 0:22; Bertrand (JM) d. Ball (Camb), 7-6 OT.

120 - Wilson (Steub) p. Clark (Shen), 0:08; Schockling (Cald) md. Walmer (Morg), 11-0; Zeiders (U) p. Marrelli (BL), 3:10; Curtin (L) p. Pulice (WM), 1:59; Sarge (EL) d. Bookman (BvL), 3-2; Nice (Mag) md. Marling (Bell), 12-1; Wilson (Barn) d. Heavilin (HC), 3-1; Howell (UL) d. Harper (Mead), 12-6; Hague (IC) tf. Jaquay (WP), 23-6; Roberts (PS) p. Davis (Cam), 0:25; Richter (MC) p. Wilson (Weir), 2:13; Coniker (SCC) tf. Logan (ED), 17-0; Bozek (OG) p. Thomas (JM), 2:33.

126 - Baclak (WP) p. Gray (Steub), 2:28; Riter (Mag) p. Barnes (BL), 3:06; Reed (Camb) p. Watson (CB), 0:36; Oiler (EL) tf. Mazik (IC), 18-1; Wood (Cam) p. Lengyel (Weir), 0:07; Starkey (TOR) p. Raunes (Bealls), 1:59; Moore (SJC) won by inj. def. over Heavilin (SCC); Daley (ED) p. Summerlin (U), 3:00; Collins (PS) mp. Gattrell (Mead), 0:47; Dean (Bpt) d. Smith (WM), 4-3; Martsolf (BvL) p. Gray (JM), 0:35; Kahl (SS) p. Mosman (L), 3:15.

132 - Goff (Steub) p. Browne (Brk), 2:24; Adams (Mag) p. Seese (FF), 1:08; Gaydosh (IC) tf. Caley (Camb), 18-1; Spalla (Cam) p. Stevens (StC), 5:11; Parsons (WP) p. Loy (EL), 0:14; Nangle (PS) p. Eberhart (HC), 1:29; Savage (Tor) d. Dunlap (JM), 10-3; Rohrbough (U) p. Mead (TC), 0:29; Eckenrod (OG) d. Wilhelm (Bell), 11-4; Strain (UL) d. Cade (ED), 9-5; Good (WM) p. Kramer (Mead), 0:13; Daugherty (Bealls) d. Stewart (Riv), 8-0; Ray (Morg) p. Wright (Weir), 1:38; Keyes (BvL) p. Kuebler (SCC), 1:12.

138 - Jenkins (Mead) p. Davis (BvL), 3:11; Baird (WM) p. Russell (MF), 1:55; Hamlin (U) p. Mirandy (WP), 3:06; Rayner (Cald) md. Mason (BL), 13-3; Tice (OG) p. Blystone (EL), 1:05; Pizzino (HC) p. Yost (Brk), 0:45; Hubbard (Steub) p. Yoho (Mag), 1:59; Taylor (PS) p. Brooks (MC), 1:13; Stewart (UL) p. Baker (FF), 2:18; Hawthorne (SS) d. Giovengo (L), 9-6; Weaver (ED) p. Bond (Shen), 1:59; Tubaug (JM) md. Baldwin (Cam), 11-2.

145 - Taylor (WP) p. Neavin (MF), 0:44; Craig (MC) p. Todd (WM), 3:29; Johnson (SS) tf. Binkiewicz (BL), 16-0; Arneault (OG) d. Ferguson (Steub), 3-2; Crum (UL) p. Campbell (Mag), 2:30; Keichum (EL) p. Petry (Cald), 5:26; Lambiotte (S) p. Eakle (IC), 1:25; Hasson (BvL) p. Schmlesing (SCC), 1:10; Taylor (Riv) p. Dodds (HC), 0:57; Cottrell (U) p. Hagood (Morg), 3:19; Fox (Camb) d. Kirby (CB), 14-8; Cooper (TC) p. Hickman (Barn), 0:29; Thompson (StC) p. Monte (Wells), 2:47; Jenkins (Mead) p. Nelson (Bpt), 0:42; Schwarz (L) d. West (JM), 11-10.

152 - Lopez (U) p. Weldy (Barn), 1:39; Riskey (HC) md. Love (Mead), 15-3; Coleman (MF) p. Bigler (Tor), 2:36; Street (Mag) p. Miscuk (EL), 2:59; Moray (Steub) p. Vance (Bealls), 1:48; Winland (PS) p. Chico (L), 0:32; Ekey (WM) p. Forquer (CB), 1:35; Shuman (OG) p. Dayton (ED), 2:21; Diglandomenico (WP) tf. Talbot (Riv), 16-0; Kahl (SS) p. Wood (Shen), 4:49; Morrow (BL) d. DeLong (StC), 12-11.

160 - DeLong (PS) mp. Heath (StC), 1:28; Nash (WP) p. Zombeck (Brk), 2:35; Livingston (Steub) p. Taylor (UL), 0:45; Sokolowski (BL) tf. Simpkins (Mag), 22-7; Howler (Barn) p. Boyle (Wells), 0:37; Kenny (L) p. Maple (IC), 3:18; Shaw (WM) d. Roberts (ED), 15-7; Frisco (U) p. Phillips (Bealls), 5:41; Mowder (JM) p. Walker (EL), 0:53; Goss (Morg) p. Wear (Mead), 2:41; Allen (SS) p. Davie (Cald), 5:04.

170 - Alexander (PS) p. Daley (SCC), 0:29; Cade (ED) p. Parr (Weir), 3:17; Deffenbaugh (Steub) p. Martin (Cam), 2:41; Johnston (Wells) p. Knotts (FF), 0:36; Lowery (Tor) p. Yanovich (L), 1:29; Wolring (Morg) p. Ingram (Cald), 0:45; Chambers (Barn) p. Blount (MF), 2:52; Thomas (IC) p. Rouse (WP), 2:45; McFarland (UL) p. Mays (BvL), 1:14; Cool (OG) p. Finsley (Brk), 3:24; McConaughy (Mag) md. Yohn (U), 14-6.

182 - Jones (Steub) p. Durrak (JM), 0:59; Alvis (Tor) d. Plumly (Barn), 6-5; Jones (BL) md. Bobby (BvL), 12-0; Nice (Mag) p. Jenkins (HC), 1:29; Kusic (Bpt) d. Chadwick (OG), 6-1; Wells (ED) p. Blackstone (MC), 1:45; Hoover (MF) p. Jarman (IC), 1:54; Matusik (EL) p. Winters (FF), 4:38; Ramage (Mead) p. Weber (CB), 3:22; Ricker (WP) d. Rusch (Morg), 5-2; Wooding (L) p. Tokash (WM), 1:54; Allman (PS) p. High (Camb), 0:37.

195 - Newhart-Koreski (PS) p. Price (Bell), 2:50; Webster (U) p. Saling (Shen), 1:34; Giovengo (L) p. Johnson (BL), 0:33; Bunfill (Barn) p. Harris (ED), 0:13; Rogers (SCC) p. Ekey (WM), 1:58; Barber (BvL), p. Yates (FF), 0:57; Albertson (Steub) d. Robinson (SS), 8-0; Felton (Riv) p. Burge (Cam), 5:55; Fogle (Tor) p. Rice (MF), 1:37; Doll (Brk) p. Hundley (Bpt), 0:24; Myers (WP) p. Bonetti (SJC), 4:53; Hatfield (Mag) p. Cacace (JM), 0:45; Mercer (Camb) p. McCoy (Weir), 1:49.

220 - Chukwu (L) p. Tidwell (Mead), 0:28; Fijalkowski (UL) p. Moore (Camb), 2:25; Dozier (EL) p. Murr (Bpt), 0:15; Bodkin (MF) p. Eddy (TC), 1:51; Riddle (Beav) p. McCardie (JM), 3:05; Householder (Tor) p. Mlthechem (Cam), 3:48; Potts (MC) p. DeFelice (SS), 1:57; Hall (PS) p. Cook (BL), 1:49; Edgell (Brk) d. Wilson (Mag), 9-2; Perdue (Barn) p. Robinson (IC), 3:05; Poling (Cald) p. Sheets (ED), 2:52; Moore (Steub) tf. Cuervo (SCC), 18-2; Potts (Bealls) p. Mathony (FF), 2:56; Furbee (StC) p. Eddy (WM), 0:58.

285 - Bodkin (MF) p. Oladimeji (L), 0:39; Simmons (JM) d. Colvin (Mead), 6-1 OT; Ernest (StC) d. Merritt (IC), 6-3; Solomon (Steub) p. Sawyers (Mag), 0:54; Six (CB) d. Woodburn (BvL), 3-1 OT; Mills (OG) p. Perry (Camb), 0:23; Rucker (Cald) p. Linke (Weir), 0:21; Kilburn (MC) p. Ritchea (Cam), 0:16; Mills (BvL) p. Baker (Riv), 0:44; Powers (Morg) p. Bryant (Bpt), 0:48; Haynes (Tor) p. Taylor (Bealls), 3:09; Bloor (Wells) p. Morris (Bell), 0:32.

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Schocking (Cald); Bye vs. Walter (Tor); Marell (BL) vs. Zelders (U); Curtin (Lins) vs. Pulice (Mad); Bookman (Beav) vs. Hunter (Shady); Sarge (EL) vs. Stocker (Camb); Logan (Ed) vs. Coniker (SCC); Nice (Mag) vs. Marling (Bell); Wilson (Barnes) vs. Heavilin (HC); Howell (UL) vs. Harper (Meadow); Jaquay (WP) vs. Hague (IC); Roberts (PS) vs. Davis (Cam); Barnhart (Brk) vs. Bye; Bozek (OG) vs. Thomas (JM); Wilson (Weir) vs. Ro. Richter (MC).

128 -- Baclak (WP) vs. Gray (Steub); Barnes (BL) vs. Riter (Mag); Bye vs. Risley (HC); Watson (CB) vs. Reed (Camb); Oiler (EL) vs. Mazik (IC); Moore (Morg) vs. Vincenzo (StC); Martsoff (Beav) vs. Gray (JM); Lengyel (Weir) vs. Wood (Cam); Starkey (Tor) vs. Strous (Barnes); Moore (SJC) vs. Heavilin (SCC); J. Howell (UL) vs. D. Raines (Bealls); Summarlin (U) vs. Daley (Ed); Collins (PS) vs. Gattrell (Meadow); Blankenship (MF) vs. Bye; Smith (Mad) vs. Dean (Bpt); Mosman (Lins) vs. J. Kahl (Shady).

132 -- Goff (Steub) vs. Browne/Eckenrod; Callarik (BL) vs. Forquer (CB); Ray (Morg) vs. Bower (Lins); Seese (FF) vs. Pickenpaugh (Cald); Gaydosh (IC) vs. Caley (Camb); Cade (Ed) vs. Strain (UL); Spalla (Cam) vs. Stevens (StC); Perdue/Wilhelm vs. Parsons (WP); Nangle (PS) vs. Eberhart/Skapik; Dunlap (JM) vs. Savage (Tor); Z. Daugherty (Bealls) vs. Stewart (Riv); Kramer (Meadow) vs. Good (Mad); Rohrbough (U) vs. Mead (TC); Adams (Mag) vs. Loy (EL); Wright (Weir) vs. Hupp (MC); Haggerty/Kuebler (MF) vs. Keyes (Beav).

138 -- T. Jenkins (Meadow) vs. Davis (Beav); Russell (MF) vs. Balrd (Mag); Bye vs. Griffin (Barnes); Hupp-Lasure (Morg) vs. Hamlin (U); Rayner (Cald) vs. Mason (BL); Kirby (WP) vs. Mazik (IC); Weaver vs. Bond (Shen); Blystone (EL) vs. Tice (OG); Pizzino (HC) vs. Yost (Brk); Tubaugh (JM) vs. Baldwin (Cam); Alwine (StC) vs. Baker (FF); Highley (Mag) vs. Hubbard (Steub); Taylor (PS) vs. Brooks (MC); Schulthais (Riv) vs. bye; V. Giovengo (Lins) vs. Hawthorne (Shady); Coen (Bpt) vs. Stewart (UL).

145 -- Taylor (WP) vs. Neavin/Neison; Todd (Mad) vs. Craig (MC); Monte (Wells) vs. Fisher (Ed); Binkiewicz (BL) vs. Johnson (Shady); Armeault (OG) vs. Ferguson (Steub); Campbell (Mag) vs. Crum (UL); Petry (Cald) vs. Ketchum (EL); Eakle (IC) vs. Lamblotte (S); Hasson (Beav) vs. Schmiesing (SCC); Taylor (Riv) vs. Dodds (HC); Cottrell (U) vs. Hagood (Morg); Fox (Camb) vs. Kirby (CB); Cooper (TC) vs. Hickman (Barnes); Schlepfer (Cam) vs. Thompson (StC); West (JM) vs. Schwarz (Lins); Masters (Bell) vs. B. Jenkins (Meadow).

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1. Tariq Wilson, Steubenville; 2. Rodney Richter, Monroe Central; 3. Riley Nice, Magnolia; 4. Luke Coniker, Steubenville Central; 5. Tommy Curtin, Linsly; 6. Daniel Hague, Indian Creek; 7. Jacob Roberts, Parkersburg South; 8. Owen Zelders, University.

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1. Dallas Baclak, Wheeling Park; 2. Josh Kahl, Shadyside; 3. Donald Starkey, Toronto; 4. Dalton Wood, Cameron; 5. Cody Oiler, East Liverpool; 6. Robert Daley, Edison; 7. Zach Collins, Parkersburg South; 8. Evan Reed, Cambridge.

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1. Dakota Goff, Steubenville; 2. Jason Keyes, Beaver; 3. Cotten Nangle, Parkersburg South; 4. James Parsons, Wheeling Park; 5. Tyler Gaydosh, Indian Creek; 6. Phillip Good, Madonna; 7. Austin Rohrbough, University; 8. Blake Pickenpaugh, Caldwell.

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1. Tyler Jenkins, Meadowbrook; 2. Bobby Stewart, Union Local; 3. Hunter Pizzino, Harrison Central; 4. Nick Tice, Oak Glen; 5. Kolby Rayner, Caldwell; 6. Jesse Hubbard, Steubenville; 7. Ryan Taylor, Parkersburg South; 8. Jordan Hamlin, University.

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1. Dylan Taylor, Wheeling Park; 2. Bailey Jenkins, Meadowbrook; 3. Daniel Hasson, Beaver; 4. T.J. Lambotte, Parkersburg South; 5. Patrick Armeault, Oak Glen; 6. Colton Kirby, Clay-Battle; 7. Chase Cooper, Tyler; 8. Billy

Johnson, Shadyside.

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1. Brandon Jones, Steubenville; 2. Justin Alkman, Parkersburg South; 3. Dalton Hoover, Martins Ferry; 4. Mitchell Wells, Edison; 5. Caleb Nice, Magnolia; 6. Jud Ramage, Meadowbrook; 7. Chris Rusch, Morgantown; 8. Tristan Jones, Buckeye Local.

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Tyler Newhart-Koreski, Parkersburg South; 2. John Mercer, Cambridge; 3. Tim Albertson, Steubenville; 4. Josh Barber, Beaver Local; 5. Calde Bunfill, Barnesville; 6. Matthew Doll, Brooke; 7. Isaiah Myers, Wheeling Park; 8. Gage Giovengo, Linsly.

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1. Chuk Chukwu, Linsly; 2. Michael Furbee, St. Clairsville; 3. Thomas Hall, Parkersburg South; 4. Tanner Potts, Monroe Central; 5. Hunter Bodkin, Martins Ferry; 6. Clay Poling, Caldwell; 7. Drone Moore, Steubenville; 8. Austyn Dozier, East Liverpool.

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1. Jon Bodkin, Martins Ferry; 2. Seth Bloor, Wellsville; 3. Chance Rucker, Caldwell; 4. Noah Mills, Oak Glen; 5. Darrell Solomon, Steubenville; 6. Dane Mills, Parkersburg South; 7. Mitchell Powers, Morgantown; 8. Donnie Merritt, Indian Creek.

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(at WestBanco Arena, Wheeling)

SECOND ROUND CHAMPIONSHIPS

106: Hubbard (Steub) p. Brown (SS), 0:18; Zoumpolidis (MF) d. Cain (Weir), 8-8; Young (SCC) p. Harris (Tor), 3:27; Bookman (BvL) p. Bonar (TC), 1:42; Martin (PS) p. Niswonger (Cald), 1:51; Debee (OG) won by forfeit over Dudich (L); Ice (EL) p. Riney (Brk), 0:10; Holmes (JM) d. Gurrera (WM), 10-5; 113: Henson (U) p. Urdak (Mead), 1:54; Quinn (SS) p. grow (CB), 3:59; Cline (PS) p. Raines (Bealls), 3:56; Potts (EL) p. Mackey (Cam), 0:51; Dawson (BvL) p. Irvin (SCC), 1:12; Whites (HC) md. Kleiner (ED), 12-1; Johnson (WP) p. Anderson (Tor), 8:15; Bertrand (JM) p. Reardon (Brk), 5:12; 120: Wilson (Steub) p. Shockling (Cald), 0:28; Zaiders (U) p. Walter (Tor), 4:58; Curtin (U) p. Hunter (SS), 6:38; Conicker (SCC) p. Sarge (EL), 3:03; Hague (IC) d. Howell (UL), 5-1; Wilson (Barn) d. Nica (Mag), 4-2 OT; Roberts (PS) d. Barnhart (Brk), 9-8; Richter (MC) p. Bozek (OG), 12-2; 128: Bacak (WP) p. Riter (Mag), 1:15; Wood (Cam) d. Martsoff (BvL), 4-2; Oiler (EL) d. Vincenzo (STC), 8-2; Collins (PS) p. Blankenship (MF), 1:52; Reed (Camb) p. Riskey (HC), 0:12; Daley (ED) p. Howell (UL), 0:35; Kahl (SS) p. Dean (Bpt), 1:42; Starkey (Tor) md. Puccio (SJC), 12-0; 132: Goff (Steub) p. Eckenrod (OG), 1:52; Parsons (WP) p. Spalla (Cam), 0:48; Nangle (PS) p. Savage (Tor), 4:21; Good (WM) md. Daugherty (Bealls), 10-2; Adams (Mag) d. Bower (L), 6-4; Keyes (BvL) p. Ray (Morg), 0:56; Gaydosch (IC) md. Strain (UL), 11-1; Rohrbaugh (U) md. Skapik (SS), 9-0; 138: Jenkins (Mead) p. Baird (WM), 4:21; Rayner (Cald) d. Mazik (IC), 2-0; Tice (OG) md. Weaver (ED), 9-1; Hubbard (Steub) md. Alwine (STC), 8-0; Pizzino (HC) md. Tubaugh (JM), 10-0; Griffin (Barn) p. Hamlin (U), 3:28; Taylor (PS) p. Schultze (Riv), 5:26; Stewart (UL) d. Hawthorne (SS), 8-2; 146: Taylor (WP) p. Craig (MC), 1:43; Arneault (OG) d. Crum (UL), 3-2; Johnson (SS) p. Fisher (ED), 5:26; Lambiotte (MF) p. Ketchum (EL), 1:07; Jenkins (IC) p. Schwarz (IC), 0:54; Thomsen (STC) p. Cooper (TC), 4:41; Hason (BvL) p. Taylor (Riv), 4:48; Cottrell (U) d. Fox (Camb), 3-2; 152: Lopez (U) p. Palko (UL), 0:46; Windland (PS) p. Ekey (WM), 2:16; Shuman (OG) p. Starcher (Cam), 3:51; Moray (Steub) md. Street (Mag), 9-0; Riskey (HC) d. McAfee (IC), 8-3; Diglandomenico (WP) d. Carothers (MC), 8-7; Kahl (SS) p. Morrow (BL), 1:59; Coleman (MF) md. Eckleberry (JM), 14-4; 160: DeLong (PS) md. Hogan (OG), 15-4; Mowder (JM) p. Allen (SS), 0:58; Livingston (Steub) p. Fields (Weir), 1:11; Nash (WP) p. Mercer (Cam), 0:43; Hoover (MF) md. Matusk (Riv), 6-0; Ramage (Mead) p. Mayfield (EL), 18-7; 166: Newhart-Koreski (PS) p. Webster (U), 1:50; Giovengo (L) p. Pletcher (Morg), 1:27; Barber (BvL) p. Rogers (SCC), 1:52; Albertson (Steub) p. Felton (U), 5-4; Bunfill (Doll) p. Flowers (OG), 18-1; Mercer (Camb) p. Hatfield (Mag), 0:55; Myers (WP) p. Keys (TC), 4:30; 220: Chukwu (L) p. Fijalkowski (UL), 1:23; Potts (EL) p. Householder (Tor), 0:40; Furbee (STC) p. Potts (Bealls), 0:19; Poling (Cald) p. Perdue (Barn), 1:23; Hall (PS) p. Edgell (Brk), 1:47; Bodkin (MF) d. Riddle (BvL), 4-1; Moore (Steub) md. Smith (WP), 9-0; Price (OG) d. Dozier (EL), 6-4; 285: Bodkin (MF) p. Simmons (JM), 0:40; Mills (PS) p. Gilliam (HC), 1:52; Ernest (Riv) d. Meadows (SS), 3-1; Powers (Morg) p. Martin (WCK), 0:51; Mills (OG) p. Six (CB), 2:51; Rucker (Cald) p. Kilburn (MC), 1:59; Bloor (Weir) p. Jaynes (Tor), 1:28; Solomon (Steub) d. Chlppas (TC), 11-4.

CHAMPIONSHIP QUARTERFINALS

106: Hubbard (Steub) p. Zoumpolidis (MF), 6:16; Bookman (BvL) d. Young (SCC), 8-0; Martin (PS) d. Ice (EL), 8-4; Debee (OG) d. Holmes (JM), 10-2; 113: Quinn (SS) p. Bertrand (JM), 1:42; Potts (EL) p. White (HC), 1:35; Dawson (BvL) md. Cline (PS), 9-1; Henson (U) d. Johnson (Weir), 9-3; 120: Wilson (Steub) p. Zaiders (U), 0:41; Curtin (U) p. Conicker (SCC), 3:48; Richter (MC) p. Roberts (PS), 18-0; Hague (IC) d. Wilson (Barn), 7-3; 128: Daley (ED) d. Starkey (Tor), 3:47; Crum (UL) p. Kirby (CB), 15-0; Craig (MC) p. West (JM), 0:58; Ferguson (Steub) d. Fox (Camb), 8-4; Fisher (ED) p. Hickman (Barn), 1:48; 152: Morrow (BL) p. Welby (Barn), 0:18; Ekey (WM) p. Mscuk (EL), 2:15; Love (Mead) d. Carothers (MC), 11-6; Eckleberry (JM) d. Dayton (ED), 5-0; Starcher (Cam) d. Bigler (Tor), 10-5; McAfee (IC) md. Talbot (Riv), 17-5; Delong (STC) p. Palko (UL), 3:58; Forquer (CB) d. Street (Mag), 6-5; Hogan (OG) p. Walker (EL), 2:04; McConville (Bell) md. Taylor (UL), 14-4; Simmons (JM) d. Kenny (L), 4-1; Phillips (Bealls) p. Mercer (Camb), 1:59; Maple (IC) p. Goss (Morg), 1:31; Roberts (ED) p. Fields (Weir), 3:49; Allen (SS) p. Heath (STC), 0:57; Knoch (BvL) d. Zomback (Brk), 14-8; 170: Parr (Weir) p. Schneidmiller (EL), 2:17; Yanovich (L) p. Chambers (Barn), 0:55;

Sokolowski (BL) d. Livingston (Steub), 12-8; Shaw (WM) d. Howler (Barn), 10-4; 170: Alexander (PS) p. Pershing (Camb), 2:51; Lowery (Tor) d. Daffenbaugh (Steub), 6-3; McFarland (L) d. Cool (OG), 8-0; Wotring (Morg) md. McConughey (Mag), 13-3; 182: Allman (PS) d. Ricker (WP), 7-3; Nica (Mag) d. Wells (ED), 8-3; B. Jones (Steub) d. T. Jones (BL), 9-2; Hoover (MF) d. Ramage (Mead), 4-2 OT; 195: Newhart-Koreski (PS) p. Giovengo (L), 4:35; Mercer (Camb) p. Myers (WP), 3:57; Albertson (Steub) p. Doll (Brk), 2:55; Barber (BvL) d. Bunfill (Barn), 5-4; 220: Bodkin (MF) d. Potts (EL), 3-1 OT; Chukwu (L) p. Price (OG), 3:13; Hall (PS) d. Poling (Cald), 2-1 OT; Furbee (STC) d. Moore (Steub), 7-2; 285: Mills (PS) d. Rucker (Cald), 6-9; Bodkin (MF) d. Ernest (STC), 4-1; Wells (ED) d. Solomon (Steub), 7-6; Bloor (Weir) d. Powers (Morg), 7-1.

FIRST ROUND CONSOLATIONS

120: Harper (Mead) p. Jaquay (WP), 1:45; Clark (Shen) d. Weimer (Morg), 6-3; Heavilin (HC) d. Marling (Bell), 6-3; Bookman (BvL) d. Logan (ED), 7-0; Thomas (JM) d. Wilson (Weir), 9-5; 128: Raines (Bealls) won by forfeit over Heavilin (SCC); Langyel (Weir) p. Gray (JM), 1:18; Gray (Steub) d. Barnes (BL), 12-9; Smith (WM) p. Moaman (L), 3:28; 132: Cade (ED) p. Caley (Camb), 3:51; Stevens (STC) d. Loy (EL), 8-7; Wilhelm (Bell) md. Browne (Brk), 9-1; Wright (Weir) p. Kuebler (SCC), 2:44; Stewart (Riv) p. Kramer (Mead), 0:23; Eberhart (HC) d. Dunlap (JM), 7-0; 138: Blystone (EL) p. Bond (Shen), 3:49; Davis (BvL) p. Russell (MF), 1:37; Giovengo (L) p. Baker (FF), 3:44; Baldwin (SS) d. Yost (Brk), 4:59; 146: Ferguson (Steub) p. Campbell (Mag), 1:58; Neavin (MF) md. Todd (WM), 9-1; Petry (Cald) d. Eakle (IC), 11-6; Dodds (HC) d. Schmiesing (SCC), 7-8; Hickman (Barn) p. Monte (Wells), 3:52; Kirby (CB) d. Hagood (Morg), 6-0; West (JM) p. Nelson (Bpt), 2:11; 152: Mscuk (EL) p. Vance (Bealls), 0:58; Forquer (CB) p. Chico (L), 2:01; Delong (STC) d. Wood (Shen), 8-7; 160: Maple (IC) d. Boyle (Wells), 8-2; Walker (EL) p. Davis (Cald), 4:48; Simpkins (Mag) p. West (Mead), 2-1; 170: Yanovich (L) p. Knoch (FF), 1:38; Ingram (Cald) p. Blount (MF), 1:45; Mays (BvL) d. Rouse (WP), 3-2; 182: Cobb (Cald) p. Jarman (IC), 1:52; Durrah (JM) d. Plumly (Barn), 8-2; Tokash (WM) p. High (Camb), 4:37; Chadwick (OG) p. Blackstone (MC), 4:48; 188: Ekey (WM) p. Yates (FF), 2:09; Burge (Cam) p. Robinson (SS), 2:38; Rice (MF) p. Hundley (Bpt), 0:58; McCoy (Weir) p. Cacace (JM), 1:47; Price (Bell) p. Saling (Shen), 3:38; 220: Wilson (Mag) p. Cook (BvL), 1:49; Eddy (TC) md. McCordie (JM), 10-0; Moore (Camb) p. Tidwell (Mead), 4:10; Robinson (IC) p. Sheets (ED), 3:43; DeFalco (SS) p. Mitchem (Cam), 1:59; Egyud (WM) p. Matheny (FF), 4:31; 285: Ritchie (Cam) p. Linke (Weir), 0:25; Woodburn (BvL) p. Parr (Cam), 1:35; Taylor (Bealls) p. Morris (Bell), 1:24; Colvin (Mead) p. Oladimeji (L), 3:57.

SECOND ROUND CONSOLATIONS

106: Craer (STC) won by forfeit; Stephens (Mead) p. Gurrera (WM), 0:33; Ott (HC) p. Riney (Brk), 2:18; Cecil (Mag) p. Niswonger (Cald), 3:48; Good (Camb) p. Bonar (TC), 0:49; Harris (Tor) p. Berberich (Bell), 1:59; Cain (Weir) p. Porter (WP), 2:59; Brown (SS) d. Starkey (IC), 7-5; 113: Mackey (Cam) p. Baker (Mag), 2:20; Kleiner (ED) d. Whitely (UL), 4-2; Reardon (Brk) md. Wood (Steub), 16-4; Grow (CB) md. Richts (MC), 11-0; Raines (Bealls) won by forfeit; Ball (Camb) p. Irvin (SCC), 16-0; Anderson (Tor) p. Price (IC), 1:30; Urdak (Mead) p. Salisbury (Morg), 0:54; 129: Bozek (OG) p. Clark (Shen), 0:21; Barnhart (Brk) d. Marrelli (BL), 6-0; Howell (UL) p. Pulice (WM), 1:19; Nica (Mag) d. Bookman (BvL), 8-4; Sarge (EL) d. Heavilin (HC), 4-0; Hunter (SS) p. Harper (Mead), 0:58; Walter (Tor) p. Davis (Cam), 1:24; Shockling (Cald) p. Thomas (JM), 3:21; 128: Gray (Steub) md. Dean (Bpt), 10-0; Blankenship (MF) md. Watson (CB), 17-7; Howell (UL) p. Mazik (IC), 0:59; Moore (SJC) p. Lengyel (Weir), 2:16; Martsoff (BvL) d. Raines (Bealls), 8-0; Vincenzo (STC) d. Sumnerlin (U), 4-0; Riskey (HC) d. Gastrell (Mead), 6-2; Riter (Mag) p. Smith (WM), 2:45; Ray (Morg) p. Wilhelm (Bell), 1:58; Ramage (Mead) p. Daugherty (Bealls), 3-1; Bower (L) p. Mead (TC), 4:02; Daugherty (Bealls) p. Cade (ED), 3:29; Stevens (STC) d. Savage (Tor), 3-0; Spalla (Cam) p. Eberhart (HC), 2:49; Strain (UL) p. Stewart (Riv), 4:01; Eckenrod (OG) d. Wright (Weir), 8-3; 138: Hamlin (U) p. Brooks (MC), 0:37; Alwine (STC) p. Mason (BL), 4:14; Davie (BvL) p. Hawthorne (SS), 1:49; Schultze (Riv) p. Mirandy (WP), 16-0; Tubaugh (JM) p. Blystone (EL), 0:48; Weaver (ED) d. Baldwin (Cam), 8-3; Mazik (IC) p. Yoho (Mag), 2:48; Baird (WM) p. Giovengo (L), 4:08; 148: Neavin (MF) p. Schwarz (L), 2:51; Cooper (TC) p. Binkiewicz (BL), 0:52; Taylor (Riv) d. Petry (Cald), 12-5; Roberts (ED) p. Dodds (HC), 3:47; Crum (UL) p. Kirby (CB), 15-0; Craig (MC) p. West (JM), 0:58; Ferguson (Steub) d. Fox (Camb), 8-4; Fisher (ED) p. Hickman (Barn), 1:48; 152: Morrow (BL) p. Welby (Barn), 0:18; Ekey (WM) p. Mscuk (EL), 2:15; Love (Mead) d. Carothers (MC), 11-6; Eckleberry (JM) d. Dayton (ED), 5-0; Starcher (Cam) d. Bigler (Tor), 10-5; McAfee (IC) md. Talbot (Riv), 17-5; Delong (STC) p. Palko (UL), 3:58; Forquer (CB) d. Street (Mag), 6-5; Hogan (OG) p. Walker (EL), 2:04; McConville (Bell) md. Taylor (UL), 14-4; Simmons (JM) d. Kenny (L), 4-1; Phillips (Bealls) p. Mercer (Camb), 1:59; Maple (IC) p. Goss (Morg), 1:31; Roberts (ED) p. Fields (Weir), 3:49; Allen (SS) p. Heath (STC), 0:57; Knoch (BvL) d. Zomback (Brk), 14-8; 170: Parr (Weir) p. Schneidmiller (EL), 2:17; Yanovich (L) p. Chambers (Barn), 0:55;

Ramage (Mead) p. Martin (Cam), 2:59; Mays (BvL) d. Bover (HC), 8-2; Thomas (IC) p. Daley (SCC), 2:33; Yohn (U) p. Carnes (STC), 4:25; Johnston (Wells) p. Ingram (Cald), 1:16; Finaly (Brk) p. Cade (ED), 4:43; 182: Wooding (L) p. Durrah (JM), 0:48; Matusik (Riv) p. Chadwick (OG), 1:52; Freeman (Shen) p. Webber (CB), 2:20; Mayfield (EL) p. Jenkins (HC), 2:12; Bobby (BvL) d. Miller (Cam), 10-7; Kusic (Bpt) d. Cobb (Cald), 4-2; Alvis (Tor) d. Tokash (WM), 5-2; Rusch (Morg) p. Brmac Jr. (BL), 0:11; 195: Keyes (TC) p. Johnson (BL), 0:17; Hatfield (Mag) p. Price (Bell), 1:50; Fogle (Tor) p. Halse (ED), 0:30; Webster (U) d. McCoy (Weir), 7-2; Rogers (SCC) p. Burge (Cam), 1:38; Bonetti (SJC) p. Picher (Morg), 2:17; Flowers (OG) p. Riter (MF), 2:51; Ekey (WM) p. Felton (Riv), 4:54; 220: Moore (Camb) p. Potts (Bealls), 2:14; Dozier (EL) p. Cuervo (SCC), 0:45; Smith (WP) p. Murr (Bpt), 1:27; Riddle (BvL) p. Robinson (IC), 1:46; Perdue (Barn) p. Eddy (TC), 0:19; Fijalkowski (UL) p. Egyud (WM), 0:59; DeFalco (SS) p. Edgell (Brk), 4:49; Householder (Tor) d. Wilson (Mag), 4-0; 285: Kilburn (MC) p. Woodburn (BvL), 0:57; Meadows (SS) p. Bryant (Bpt), 0:47; Gilliam (HC) p. Sawyers (Mag), 1:21; Haynes (Tor) p. Colvin (Morg), 3-2; 192: Merritt (IC) d. Martin (WCK), 3-2; Simmons (JM) p. Taylor (Bealls), 3:35; Six (CB) p. Ritchie (Cam), 1:28; Baker (Riv) p. Chippa (TC), 3:47.

THIRD ROUND CONSOLATIONS

106: Stephens (Mead) p. Craer (STC), 0:20; Harris (Tor) p. Good (Camb), 0:11; Cecil (Mag), 3:23; Brown (SS) d. Cain (Weir), 9-4; 113: Kleiner (ED) d. Mackey (Cam), 4-0; Ball (Camb) p. Raines (Bealls), 5:58; Reardon (Brk) p. Grow (CB), 3:50; Anderson (Tor) p. Urdak (Mead), 2:38; 120: Howell (UL) p. Nica (Mag), 1:32; Hunter (SS) p. Sarge (EL), 2:11; Bozek (OG) p. Barnhart (Brk), 1:58; Shockling (Cald) p. Walter (Tor), 1:37; 128: Riter (Mag) p. Riskey (HC), 0:58; Martsoff (BvL) p. Vincenzo (STC), 1:31; Howell (UL) p. Moore (SJC), 15-0; Gray (Steub) p. Blankenship (MF), 15-0; 132: Skapik (SS) d. Ray (Morg), 5-3; Spalla (Cam) p. Strain (UL), 2:09; Bower (L) d. Eckenrod (OG), 9-6; Daugherty (Bealls) d. Stavens (STC), 8-3; 138: Alwine (STC) md. Tubaugh (JM), 13-3; Davis (BvL) p. Schultze (Riv), 2:25; Weaver (ED) d. Mazik (IC), 5-1; Hamlin (U) p. Baird (WM), 4:03; 146: Cooper (TC) p. Neavin (MF), 2:20; Crum (UL) d. Ketchum (EL), 4-3; Ferguson (Steub) d. Taylor (Riv), 10-5; Fisher (ED) p. Craig (MC), 4:28; 152: Love (Mead) p. Morrow (BL), 2:00; Eckleberry (JM) d. Forquer (CB), 9-2; Ekey (WM) p. Starcher (Cam), 2:07; Delong (STC) d. McAfee (IC), 4-3; 160: Allen (SS) p. Knecht (BvL), 0:51; Hogan (OG) d. Phillips (Bealls), 2-0; McConville (Bell) d. Simpkins (Mag), 8-4; Roberts (ED) d. Goss (Morg), 1:15; 170: Ramage (Mead) p. Yanovich (L), 3:38; Parr (Weir) p. Thomas (IC), 0:36; Yohn (U) p. Johnston (Wells), 2:00; Mays (BvL) d. Finaly (Brk), 5-3; 182: Wooding (L) p. Bobby (BvL), 0:27; Mayfield (EL) p. Matusik (Riv), 3:34; Freeman (Shen) d. Kusic (Bpt), 7-2; Rusch (Morg) p. Alvis (Tor), 4:43; 185: Hatfield (Mag) p. Keys (TC), 4:40; Flowers (OG) p. Rogers (SCC), 2:31; Fogle (Tor) d. Ekey (WM), 8-1; Bonetti (SJC) md. Webster (U), 9-1; 220: Moore (Camb) d. Smith (WP), 5-1; Riddle (BvL) d. Householder (Tor), 5-1; Perdue (Barn) p. DeFalco (SS), 4:44; Dozier (EL) d. Fijalkowski (UL), 8-0; 285: Six (CB) p. Baker (Riv), 1:31; Kilburn (MC) p. Gilliam (HC), 0:32; Haynes (Tor) d. Merritt (IC), 4-1; Meadows (SS) d. Simmons (JM), 2-1 OT.

FOURTH ROUND CONSOLATIONS

106: Holmes (JM) d. Harris (Tor), 5-4; Zoumpolidis (MF) p. Ott (HC), 6-4; Ice (EL) p. Brown (SS), 3:31; Young (SCC) d. Stephens (Mead), 8-1; 113: Cline (PS) p. Kleiner (ED), 2:01; Anderson (Tor) p. Bertrand (JM), 0:47; Johnson (Weir) p. Reardon (Brk), 16-1; White (HC) d. Ball (Camb), 5-1; 120: Wilson (Barn) p. Shockling (Cald), 1:57; Roberts (PS) p. Hunter (SS), 3:40; Howell (UL) d. Zaiders (U), 3-1; Coniker (SCC) d. Bozek (OG), 5-2; 128: Oiler (EL) p. Gray (Steub), 3:29; Starkey (IC) p. Riter (Mag), 15-0; Reed (Camb) d. Howell (UL), 4-3; Collins (PS) d. Martsoff (BvL), 3-1; 132: Good (WM) d. Bower (L), 5-0; Adams (Mag) d. Daugherty (Bealls), 3-1; Spalla (Cam) d. Rohrbaugh (UL), 9-4; Parsons (WP) p. Skapik (SS), 2:49; 138: Rayner (Cald) md. Davis (BvL), 15-2; Hubbard (Steub) d. Hamlin (U), 6-0; Taylor (PS) d. Weaver (ED), 3-1; Griffin (Barn) d. Alwine (STC), 3-2; 146: Arneault (OG) p. Cooper (TC), 2:56; Thompson (STC) d. Crum (UL), 9-8; Fisher (ED) d. Cottrell (U), 10-8; Johnson (SS) d. Ferguson (Steub), 5-0; 152: Coleman (MF) d. Love (Mead), 5-0; Riskey (HC) d. Ekey (WM), 3-1; Shuman (OG) p. Delong (STC), 2:58; Diglandomenico (WP) d. Eckleberry (JM), 6-0; 160: Nash (WP) d. McConville (Bell), 7-1; Frisco (U) d. Roberts (ED), 6-3; Howler (Barn) d. Hogan (OG), 7-3; Livingston (Steub) md. Allen (SS), 12-4; 170: McConaughy (Mag) p. Mays (BvL), 0:40; Yohn (U) d. Cool (OG), 7-3; Pershing (Camb) p. Ramage (Mead), 0:47; Daffenbaugh (Steub) p. Parr (Weir), 4:10; 182: Wells (ED) p. Wooding (L), 2:58; Ricker (WP) p. Freeman (Shen), 4:47; Mayfield (EL) d. Jones (BL), 5-3; Ramage (Mead) d. Rusch (Morg), 7-5; 195: Giovengo (L) p. Fogle (Tor), 2:14; Bunfill (Barn) p. Hatfield (Mag), 1:20; Doll (Brk) d. Bonetti (SJC), 6-3; Myers (WP) d. Flowers (OG), 8-4; 220: Potts (MCP) d. Moore (Camb), 6-5; Moore (Steub) d. Riddle (BvL), 8-3; Price (OG) p. Perdue (Barn), 3:28; Poling (Cald) p. Dozier (EL), 3:52; 285: Solomon (Steub) p. Haynes (Tor), 3:13; Rucker (Cald) p. Meadows (SS), 4:33; Kilburn (MC) p. Ernest (STC), 0:46; Powers (Morg) p. Six (CB), 1:25.

OVAC Wrestling Results

62nd Annual Ron Meuck OVAC Wrestling Tournament

(at WestBanco Arena, Wheeling)

TEAM SCORES: 1. Parkersburg South 56; 2. Steubenville 43.5; 3. University 32; 4. Oak Glen 28; 5. Beaver Local 27.5; 6. Magnolia 26; 7. Wheeling Park 25.5; 8. Toront 24; 9. Linsly 22; 10. (tie) East Liverpool, Shadyside 21.5; 12. Union Local 20; 13. (tie) Barnesville, Martins Ferry 18; 15. (tie) Edison, Monroe Central, Morgantown 16; 18. (tie) John Marshall, Madonna 15; 20. Caldwell 14; 21. (tie) Meadowbrook, Rivier 12; 23. Steubenville Catholic Central 11.5; 24. (tie) Harrison Central, Indian Creek 11; 26. (tie) Cambridge, St. Clairsville 10; 28. Buckeye Local 8.5; 29. (tie) Cameron, Wellsville 8; 31. (tie) Beallsville, Brooke 6; 33. (tie) Bridgeport, St. John Central, Tyler Consolidated, Weir 4; 37. Clay-Battelle 2; 38. (tie) Bellaire, Fort Frye, Shenandoah 0.

FIRST ROUND CHAMPIONSHIPS

106 - Hubbard (Steub) p. Creeer (STC), 0:24; Zoumpolidis (MF) d. Stephens (Mead), 10-8; Young (SCC) p. Ott (HC), 0:59; Bookman (BvL) p. Cecil (Mag), 0:47; Martin (PS) p. Good (Camb), 3:58; Ice (EL) p. Berberich (Brk), 0:09; Holmes (JM) p. Porter (WP), 3:29; DeBee (OG) p. Starkey (IC), 0:59; 113 - Henson (U) p. Maker (Mag), 0:24; Johnson (Weir) p. Whitely (UL), 1:28; Dawson (BvL) p. Wood (Steub), 0:15; Johnson (BL) p. Richter (MC), 0:11; Quinn (SS) p. Sansone (WP), 1:59; White (HC) p. Price (IC), 1:10; Potts (EL) p. Salisbury (Morg), 0:22; Bertrand (JM) d. Ball (Camb), 7-8 OT; 120 - Wilson (Steub) p. Clark (Shen), 0:08; Shockling (Cald) md. Weimer (Morg), 11-0; Zaiders (U) p. Marell (BL), 3:10; Curtin (UL) p. Pulice (WM), 1:59; Sarge (EL) d. Bookman (BvL), 3-2; Nica (Mag) md. Marling (Bell), 12-1; Wilson (Barn) d. Heavilin (HC), 3-1; Howell (UL) d. Harper (Mead), 12-6; Hague (IC) p. Jaquay (WP), 23-6; Roberts (PS) p. Davis (Cam), 0:25; Richter (MC) p. Wilson (Weir), 2:13; Coniker (SCC) p. Logan (ED), 17-0; Bozek (OG) p. Thomas (JM), 2:33; 126 - Bacak (WP) p. Gray (Steub), 2:28; Riter (Mag) p. Barnes (BL), 3:06; Reed (Camb) p. Watson (CB), 0:26; Oiler (EL) p. Mazik (IC), 18-1; Wood (Cam) p. Lengyel (Weir), 0:07; Starkey (TOR) p. Raines (Bealls), 1:59; Moore (SJC) won by inj. def. over Heavilin (SCC); Daley (ED) p. Sumnerlin (U), 3:00; Collins (PS) md. Getrell (Mead), 0:47; Dean (Bpt) d. Smith (WM), 4-3; Martsoff (BvL) p. Gray (JM), 0:25; Kahl (SS) p. Mosman (L), 3:15; 132 - Goff (Steub) p. Browne (Brk), 2:24; Adams (Mag) p. Seese (FF), 1:08; Gaydosch (IC) p. Caley (Camb), 18-1; Spalla (Cam) p. Stevens (STC), 5:11; Parsons (WP) p. Loy (EL), 0:14; Nangle (PS) p. Eberhart (HC), 1:28; Savage (Tor) d. Dunlap (JM), 10-3; Rohrbaugh (U) p. Mead (TC), 0:28; Eckenrod (OG) d. Wilhelm (Bell), 11-4; Strain (UL) d. Cade (ED), 9-6; Good (WM) p. Kramer (Mead), 0:13; Daugherty (Bealls) d. Stewart (Riv), 8-0; Ray (Morg) p. Wright (Weir), 1:38; Keyes (BvL) p. Kuebler (SCC), 1:12; 138 - Jenkins (Mead) p. Davis (BvL), 3:11; Baird (WM) p. Russell (MF), 1:55; Hamlin (U) p. Mirandy (WP), 3:06; Rayner (Cald) md. Mason (BL), 13-3; Tice (OG) p. Blystone (EL), 1:05; Pizzino (HC) p. Yost (Brk), 0:45; Hubbard (Steub) p. Yoho (Mag), 1:59; Taylor (PS) p. Brooks (MC), 1:13; Stewart (UL) p. Baker (FF), 2:18; Hawthorne (SS) d. Giovengo (L), 9-8; Weaver (ED) p. Bond (Shen), 1:59; Tubaugh (JM) md. Baldwin (Cam), 11-2; 145 - Taylor (WP) p. Neavin (MF), 0:44; Craig (MC) p. Todd (WM), 3:29; Johnson (SS) p. Binkiewicz (BL), 18-0; Arneault (OG) d.

Ferguson (Steub), 3-2; Crum (UL) p. Campbell (Mag), 2:30; Ketchum (EL) p. Petry (Cald), 5:26; Lambiotte (PS), p. Eakle (IC), 1:25; Hason (BvL) p. Schmising (SCC), 1:10; Taylor (Riv) p. Dodds (HC), 0:57; Cottrell (U) p. Hagood (Morg), 3:18; Fox (Camb) d. Kirby (CB), 14-8; Cooper (TC) p. Hickman (Barn), 0:29; Thompson (STC) p. Monte (Wells), 2:47; Jenkins (Mead) p. Nelson (Bpt), 0:42; Schwarz (L) d. West (JM), 11-10; 152 - Lopez (U) p. Welby (Barn), 1:39; Riskey (HC) md. Love (Mead), 15-3; Coleman (MF) p. Bigler (Tor), 2:36; Street (Mag) p. Mscuk (EL), 2:59; Moray (Steub) p. Vance (Bealls), 1:48; Windland (PS) p. Chico (L), 0:32; Ekey (WM) p. Forquer (CB), 1:35; Shuman (OG) p. Dayton (ED), 2:21; Diglandomenico (WP) p. Talbot (Riv), 16-0; Kahl (SS) p. Wood (Shen), 4:49; Morrow (BL) d. Delong (STC), 12-11; 160 - DeLong (PS) p. Health (STC), 1:28; Nash (WP) p. Zomback (Brk), 2:35; Livingston (Steub) p. Taylor (UL), 0:45; Sokolowski (BL) p. Simpkins (Mag), 22-7; Howler (Barn) p. Boyle (Wells), 0:37; Kanny (L) p. Maple (IC), 3:18; Shaw (WM) d. Roberts (ED), 15-7; Frisco (U) p. Philips (Bealls), 5:41; Mowder (JM) p. Walker (EL), 0:53; Goss (Morg) p. West (Mead), 2:41; Allen (SS) p. Davis (Cald), 5:04; 170 - Alexander (PS) p. Daley (SCC), 0:29; Cade (ED) p. Parr (Weir), 3:17; Daffenbaugh (Steub) p. Martin (Cam), 2:41; Johnston (Wells) p. Knoch (FF), 0:36; Lowery (Tor) p. Yanovich (L), 1:29; Wotring (Morg) p. Ingram (Cald), 0:45; Chambers (Barn) p. Blount (MF), 2:52; Thomas (IC) p. Rouse (WP), 2:45; McFarland (UL) p. Mays (BvL), 1:14; Cool (OG) p. Rinsky (Brk), 3:24; McConaughy (Mag) md. Yohn (U), 14-8; 182 - Jones (Steub) p. Durrah (JM), 0:59; Alvis (Tor) d. Plumly (Barn), 6-5; Jones (BL) md. Bobby (BvL), 12-0; Nica (Mag) p. Jenkins (HC), 1:29; Kusic (Bpt) d. Chadwick (OG), 6-1; Wells (ED) p. Blackstone (MC), 1:45; Hoover (MF) p. Jarman (IC), 1:54; Matusik (EL) p. Winters (FF), 4:36; Ramage (Mead) p. Weber (CB), 3:22; Ricker (WP) d. Rusch (Morg), 5-2; Wooding (L) p. Tokash (WM), 1:54; Allman (PS) p. High (Camb), 0:37; 195 - Newhart-Koreski (PS) p. Price (Bell), 2:50; Webster (U) p. Saling (Shen), 1:34; Giovengo (L) p. Johnson (BL), 0:33; Bunfill (Barn) p. Harris (ED), 0:13; Rogers (SCC) p. Ekey (WM), 1:58; Barber (BvL) p. Yates (FF), 0:57; Albertson (Steub) d. Robinson (SS), 8-0; Felton (Riv) p. Burge (Cam), 5:55; Fogle (Tor) p. Rice (MF), 1:37; Doll (Brk) p. Hundley (Brk), 0:24; Myers (WP) p. Bonetti (SJC), 4:53; Hatfield (Mag) p. Cacace (JM), 0:45; Mercer (Camb) p. McCoy (Weir), 1:49; 220 - Chukwu (L) p. Tidwell (Mead), 0:28; Fjalkowski (UL) p. Moore (Camb), 2:25; Dozier (EL) p. Murr (Bpt), 0:15; Bodkin (MF) p. Eddy (TC), 1:51; Riddle (BvL) p. McCordie (JM), 3:05; Householder (Tor) p. Mitchem (Cam), 3:48; Potts (MC) p. DeFalco (SS), 1:57; Hall (PS) p. Cook (BL), 1:49; Edgell (Brk) d. Wilson (Mag), 9-2; Perdue (Barn) p. Robinson (IC), 3:05; Poling (Cald) p. Sheets (ED), 2:52; Moore (Steub) p. Cuervo (SCC), 18-2; Potts (Bealls) p. Matheny (FF), 2:56; Furbee (STC) p. Egyud (WM), 0:58; 285 - Bodkin (MF) p. Oladimeji (L), 0:39; Simmons (JM) d. Colvin (Morg), 6-1 OT; Ernest (STC) d. Merritt (IC), 6-3; Solomon (Steub) p. Sawyers (Mag), 0:54; Six (CB) d. Woodburn (BvL), 3-1 OT; Mills (OG) p. Perry (Camb), 0:23; Rucker (Cald) p. Linke (Weir), 0:21; Kilburn (MC) p. Ritchie (Cam), 0:16; Mills (PS) p. Baker (Riv), 0:44; Powers (Morg) p. Bryant (Bpt), 0

Ron Mauck OVAC Wrestling Tournament Results

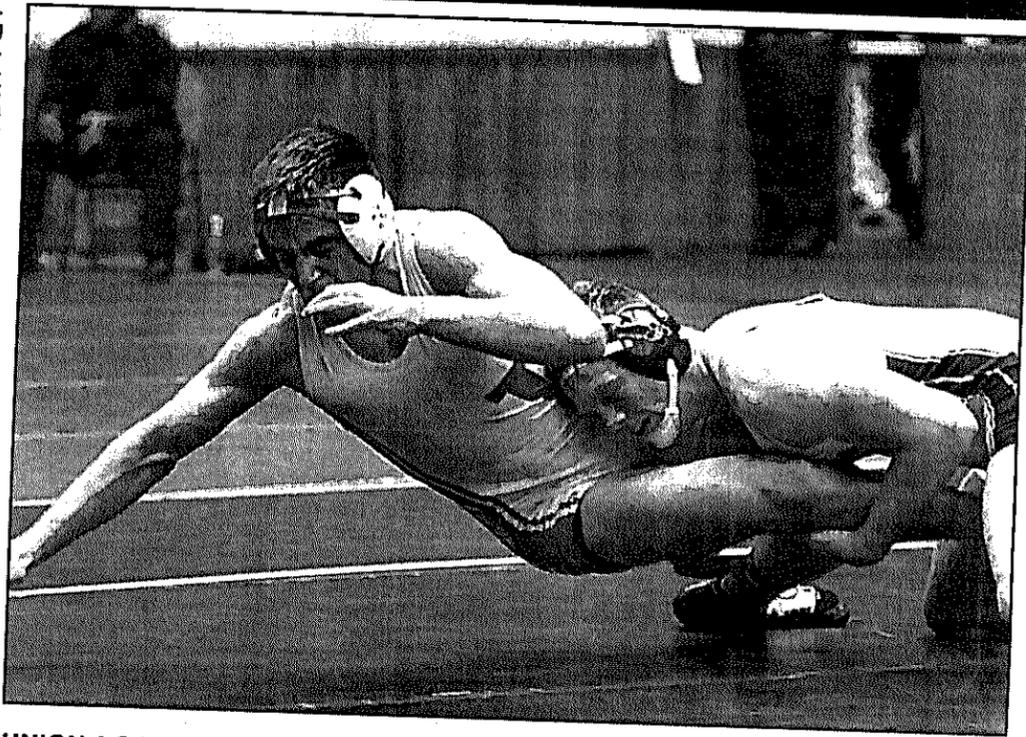
TEAM SCORES: 1. Parkersburg South 315; 2. Steubenville 236; 3. Beaver Local 142.5; 4. Wheeling Park 136; 5. Oak Glen 116; 6. University 110; 7. Shadyside 109.5; 8. East Liverpool 105.5; 9. Meadowbrook 97; 10. Linsly 95; 11. Martins Ferry 88; 12. Toronto 81.5; 13. Union Local 80.5; 14. Magnolia 77; 15. Barnesville 74.5; 16. Edison 71; 17. Monroe Central 70.5; 18. Cambridge 66.5; 19. Madonna 65; 20. Caldwell 60.5; 21. Harrison Central 60; 22. (tie) John Marshall, Morgantown 54.5; 24. Indian Creek 51; 25. St. Clairsville 49; 28. Steubenville Catholic Central 47.5; 27. Cameron 45; 28. (tie) Welr, Wellsville 35; 30. Buckeye Local 26; 31. River 25.5; 32. Beallsville 23; 33. Brooke 20; 34. (tie) Clay-Battelle, Tyler Consolidated 15; 36. St. John Central 13; 37. Bellaire 8; 38. (tie) Bridgeport, Shenandoah 5; 40. Fort Frye 0

CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS

106-1 Jashon Hubbard (STEU) p. 3 Luke Martin (PS), 2:56
 113-2 Alex Potts (EL) d. 1 Jackson Henson (UNIV), Dec 14-12
 120-1 Tariq Wilson (STEU) p. 2 Rod Richter (MC), 2:54
 128-1 Dallas Baciak (WP) def 6 Robert Daley (ED), Fall 3:06
 132-1 Dakotah Goff (STEU) def 2 Jason Keyes (BVL), Dec 4-1
 138-1 Tyler Jenkins (MEAD) def 3 Hunter Pizzino (HC), Dec 1-0
 145-3 Daniel Hasson (BVL) d. 1 Dylan Taylor (WP), 10-6
 152-1 Ryan Lopez (UNIV) d. 2 Brett Kahl (SHAD), 5-2
 160-1 Hunter DeLong (PS) p. 6 Dillon Shaw (MAD), 2:48
 170-1 Dylan Alexander (PS) md. 2 Matt McFarland (UL), 13-2
 182-1 Brandon Jones (STEU) d. 2 Justin Allman (PS), 7-6 OT
 195-1 Tyler Newhart-Koreski (PS) d. 2 John Mercer (CAMB), 4-2
 220-1 Chukwudi Chukwu (LIN) d. 3 Thomas Hall (PS), 6-2
 285-2 Seth Bloor (WELL) d. 1 Jon Bodkin (MF), 4-3 UT

THIRD-FOURTH PLACE

106-4 Quinton Bookman (BVL) d. 5 Timmy Young (SCC), 4-2
 113-3 Greg Quinn (SHAD) d. 7 Brandon White (HC), 5-2
 120-4 Luke Coniker (SCC) d. 5 Tommy Curtin (LIN), 6-4
 126-5 Cody Oller (EL) def 4 Dalton Wood (CAM), Dec 9-2
 132-3 Colten Nangle (PS) md. 5 Tyler Gaydosh (IC), 8-0
 138-2 Bobby Stewart (UL) d. 4 Nick Tice (OG), 3-2
 145-4 T.J. Lambiotte (PS) d. 2 Bailey Jenkins (MEAD), 8-5
 152-3 Tyler Windland (PS) def. 4 Niko Moray (STEU), inj. def.
 160-2 Casey Mowder (JM) d. 3 Hobie Howler (BARN), 5-0
 170-4 Drew Lowery (TOR) p. 3 Logan Wotring (MORG), 1:44
 182-6 Jud Ramage (MEAD) d. 3 Dalton Hoover (MF), 1-0
 195-4 Josh Barber (BVL) d. 5 Caide Bunfill (BARN), 8-2
 220-2 Michael Furbee (STC) d. 5 Hunter Bodkin (MF), 1-0



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UNION LOCAL'S Matt McFarland tries to get free from Parkersburg South's Dylan Alexander during Saturday night's 170-pound championship match at the 62nd annual Ron Mauck OVAC Wrestling Tournament in downtown Wheeling. McFarland suffered his first loss of the season, falling by a 13-2 major decision. Additional images may be found at cu.timesleaderonline.com

285-8 Dane Mills (PS) d. 4 Noah Mills (OG), 6-2

FIFTH-SIXTH PLACE

106-6 Dakota Ice (EL) md. 2 Ryan Debee (OG), 10-0
 113-8 Caleb Johnson (WEIR) d. 5 Jack Dawson (BVL), 3-2
 120-6 Daniel Hague (IC) p. 7 Jacob Roberts (PS), 4:35
 126-7 Zach Collins (PS) d. 2 Josh Kahl (SHAD), 7-0
 132-4 James Parsons (WP) p. 6 Phillip Good (MAD), 2:10
 138-6 Jesse Hubbard (STEU) d. 5 Kolby Rayner (CALD), 2-0 OT
 145-8 Billy Johnson (SHAD) def. Nick Fisher (ED) by forfeit
 152-7 Austin DiGiandomenico (WP) d. 5 Bryce Coleman (MF), 6-4
 160-4 Josh Sokolowski (BL) d. 5 Shawn Livingston (STEU), 7-5
 170-5 Austin Deffenbaugh (STEU) d. 6 Paden McConaughy (MAG), 10-6
 182-5 Caleb Nice (MAG) d. 4 Mitchell Wells (ED), 10-6
 195-7 Isalah Myers (WP) d. 3 Tim Albertson (STEU), 5-3
 220-4 Tanner Potts (MC) p. 7 Drone Moore (STEU), 4:41
 285-3 Chance Rucker (CALD) p. Justin Kilburn

(MC), 4:35

SEVENTH-EIGHTH PLACE

106-8 Theodore Zoumpolidis (MF) d. 7 Cody Holmes (JM), 7-6
 113-4 Hunter Cline (PS) p. Alex Anderson (TOR), 2:18
 120-Ben Howell (UL) d. Collin Wilson (BARN) by forfeit
 126-3 Donald Starkey (TOR) p. 8 Evan Reed (CAMB), 3:40
 132-Nick Spalla (CAM) d. 8 Clay Adams (MAG), 8-4
 138-7 Ryan Taylor (PS) d. Taylor Griffin (BARN), 1-0
 145-5 Patrick Arneault (OG) d. Logan Thompson (STC), 3-1
 152-6 Alex Shuman (OG) d. 8 Antony Riskey (HC), 4-3
 160-8 John Nash (WP) p. 7 Adam Frisco (UNIV), 3:23
 170-Jake Pershing (CAMB) p. Noah Yohn (UNIV), 0:58
 182-Tommy Ricker (WP) p. Austin Mayfield (EL), 2:59
 195-8 Gage Giovengo (LIN) d. 8 Matthew Doll (BKE), 8-4
 220-Dakota Price (OG) d. 6 Clay Poling (CALD), 4-3
 285-7 Mitchell Powers (MORG) d. 5 Darrell Solomon (STEU), 10-7

OVAC Wrestling Results

62nd Annual Ron Mauck Ohio Valley Athletic Conference Wrestling Tournament (at Wabanco Arena, Wheeling)

TEAM SCORES

OVERALL: 1. Parkersburg South 177; 2. Steubenville 145; 3. Beaver Local 102.5; 4. Oak Glen 101; 5. Shadyside 84.5; 6. University 82; 7. Wheeling Park 81.5; 8. East Liverpool 71.5; 9. Linsly 71; 10. Magnolia 70; 11. Toronto 68.5; 12. (tie) Martins Ferry, Meadowbrook 63; 14. Union Local 59.5; 15. Barnesville 54.5; 16. Cambridge 52.5; 17. (tie) Edison, Madonna 51; 19. Caldwell 48; 20. Morgantown 47; 21. John Marshall 46.5; 22. Monroe Central 44.5; 23. St. Clairsville 42; 24. Harrison Central 41; 25. Indian Creek 40; 26. Cameron 37; 27. Weir 30; 28. Steubenville Catholic 26.5; 29. River 25.5; 30. Buckeye Local 24; 31. Beallsville 23; 32. (tie) Brooke, Wellsville 20; 34. (tie) Clay-Battelle, Tyler Consolidated 15; 36. St. John Central 13; 37. Bellaire 8; 38. (tie) Bridgeport, Shenandoah 5; 40. Fort Frye 0

CLASS 5A

1. Parkersburg South 177; 2. Steubenville 145; 3. University 82; 4. Wheeling Park 81.5; 5. Cambridge 52.5; 6. Morgantown 47; 7. John Marshall 46.5; 8. Indian Creek 40; 9. Weir 30; 10. Brooke 20

CLASS 4A

1. Beaver Local 102.5; 2. Oak Glen 101; 3. East Liverpool 71.5; 4. (tie) Martins Ferry, Meadowbrook 63; 6. Union Local 59.5; 7. Edison 51; 8. St. Clairsville 42; 9. Harrison Central 41; 10. Buckeye Local 24

CLASS 3A

1. Linsly 71; 2. Magnolia 70; 3. Barnesville 54.5; 4. Monroe Central 44.5; 5. River 25.5; 6. Tyler Consolidated 15; 7. Bellaire 8; 8. Shenandoah 5; 9. Fort Frye 0

CLASS 1A/2A

1. Shadyside 84.5; 2. Toronto 68; 3. Madonna 51; 4. Caldwell 48; 5. Cameron 37; 6. Steubenville Catholic 26.5; 7. Beallsville 23; 8. Wellsville 20; 9. Clay-Battelle 15; 10. St. John Central 13; 11. Bridgeport 5

SECOND ROUND CHAMPIONSHIPS

106—Hubbard (Steub) p. Brown (SS), 0:18; Zoumpolidis (MF) d. Cain (Weir), 8:5; Young (SCC) p. Harris (Tor), 3:27; Bookman (BvL) p. Bonar (TC), 1:42; Martin (PS) p. Niswonger (Cald), 1:51; Debee (OG) won by forfeit over Dudich (L); Ice (EL) p. Riney (Brk), 0:10; Holmes (JM) d. Gurrera (WM), 10:5

113—Johnson (U) p. Urdak (Mead), 1:54; Quinn (SS) p. grow (CB), 3:59; Cline (PS) p. Raines (Bealls), 3:56; Potts (EL) p. Mackey (Cam), 0:51; Dawson (BvL) p. Irvin (SCC), 1:12; White (HC) md. Kleiner (ED), 12:1; Johnson (Weir) p. Anderson (Tor), 5:15; Bertrand (JM) p. Rejordan (Brk), 5:12

120—Wilson (Steub) p. Shockling (Cald), 0:28; Zelders (U) p. Walter (Tor), 4:58; Curtin (L) p. Hunter (SS), 5:38; Conicker (SCC) p. Sarge (EL), 3:03; Hague (IC) d. Howell (UL), 5-1; Wilson (Barn) d. Nice (Mag), 4-2 OT; Roberts (PS) d. Barnhart (Brk), 9-6; Richter (MC) p. Bozek (OG), 12-2

126—Baciak (WP) p. Ritter (Mag), 1:15; Wood (Cam) d. Martsolf (BvL), 4-2; Oiler (EL) d. Vincenzo (STC), 8-2; Collins (PS) p. Blankenship (MF), 1:52; Reed (Camb) p. Riskey (HC), 0:12; Daley (ED) p. Howell (UL), 0:35; Kahl (SS) p. Dean (Bpt), 1:42; Starkey (Tor) md. Moore (SJC), 12-0

132—Goff (Steub) p. Eckenrod (OG), 1:52; Parsons (WP) p. Spalla (Cam), 0:48; Nangle (PS) p. Savage (Tor), 4:21; Good (WM) md. Daugherty (Bealls), 10-2; Adams (Mag) d. Bower (L), 6-4; Keyes (BvL) p. Ray (Morg), 0:56; Gaydosh (IC) md. Strain (UL), 11-1; Rohrbach (U) md. Skapik (SS), 9-0

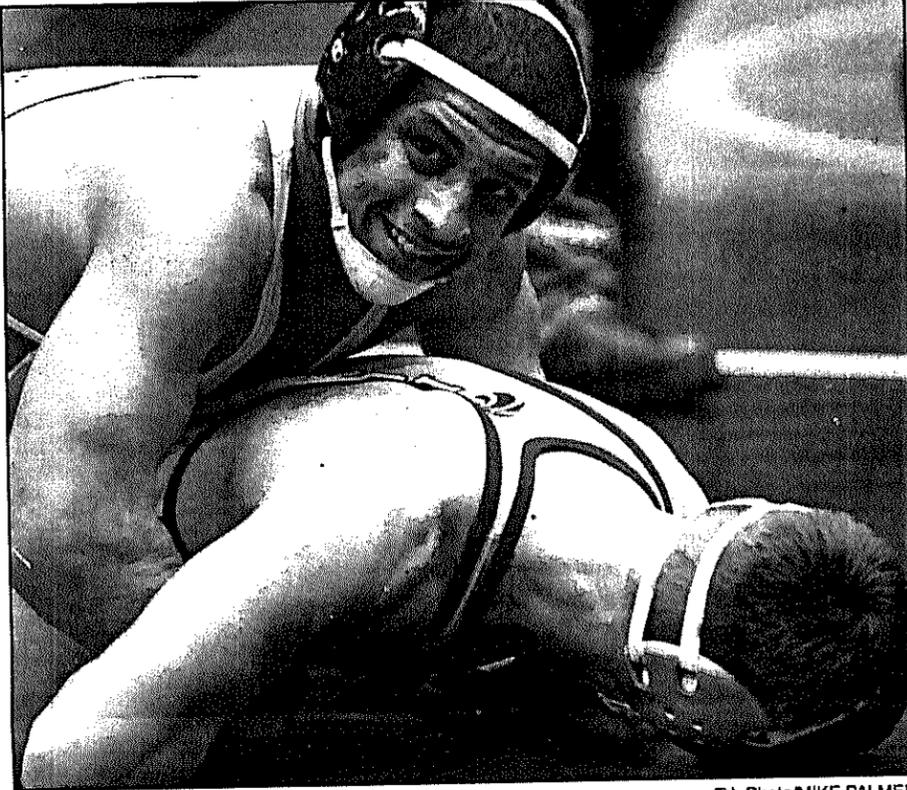
138—Jenkins (Mead) p. Baird (WM), 4:21; Rayner (Cald) d. Mazik (IC), 2-0; Tice (OG) md. Weaver (ED), 9-1; Hubbard (Steub) md. Alwine (STC), 8-0; Pizzino (HC) md. Tubaugh (JM), 10-0; Griffin (Barn) p. Hamlin (U), 3:26; Taylor (PS) p. Schultheis (Riv), 5:26; Stewart (UL) d. Hawthorne (SS), 8-2

145—Taylor (WP) p. Craig (Barn), 1:43; Arneault (OG) d. Crum (UL), 3-2; Johnson (SS) p. Fisher (ED), 5:26; Lambiotte (PS) p. Ketchum (EL), 1:57; Jenkins (Mead) p. Schwarz (L), 0:54; Thompson (STC) p. Cooper (TC), 4:41; Hanson (BvL) p. Taylor (Riv), 1:48; Cottrell (U) d. Fox (Cam), 3-2

152—Lopez (U) p. Palko (UL), 0:45; Windland (PS) p. Ekey (WM), 2:16; Shuman (OG) p. Starcher (Cam), 3:51; Moray (Steub) md. Street (Mag), 9-0; Riskey (HC) d. McAfee (IC), 6-3; Diglandomenico (WP) d. Carothers (MC), 8-7; Kahl (SS) p. Morrow (BL), 1:59; Coleman (MF) md. Eckleberry (JM), 14-4

160—DeLong (PS) md. Hogan (OG), 15-4; Mowder (JM) p. Allen (SS), 0:58; Livingstone (Steub) p. Fields (Weir), 1:11; Nash (WP) p. Mercer (Camb), 15-0; Sokolowski (BL) p. Goss (Morg), 25-9; Shaw (WM) d. McConville (Bell), 5-1; Howler (Barn) p. Kenny (L), 0:28; Frisco (U) p. Knecht (BvL), 3:19

170—Parsching (Camb) p. Cade (ED), 3:59; Alexander (PS) p. Boyer (HC), 1:45; Wotring (Morg) p. Chambers (Barn), 1:04; McConaughy (Mag) p. Ramage (Mead), 1:32; Cool (OG) p. Schneidmiller (EL), 1:16; Lowery (Tor) p. Johnston (Wells), 1:21; Deffenbaugh (Steub) p. Carnes



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MARTINS FERRY'S Bryce Coleman (top) picked up his 100th career victory during Friday night's action at the 62nd annual Ron Mauck OVAC Wrestling Tournament. Additional images can be found at cu.timesleaderonline.com

(STC), 5:58; McFarland (L) p. Thomas (IC), 15-0

182—Allman (PS) p. Wooding (L), 2:12; Jones (BL) p. Brmac Jr. (U), 1:58; Jones (Steub) p. Alvis (Tor), 1:33; Nice (Mag) p. Freeman (Shen), 1:36; Wells (ED) d. Kusic (Bpt), 4-2; Ricker (WP) p. Miller (Cam), 0:43; Hoover (MF) md. Matusik (Riv), 8-0; Ramage (Mead) md. Mayfield (EL), 18-7

195—Newhart-Koreski (PS) p. Webster (U), 1:50; Giovengo (L) p. Pitcher (Morg), 1:27; Barber (BvL) p. Rogers (SCC), 1:52; Albertson (Steub) p. Felton (Riv), 2:27; Doll (Brk) d. Fogle (Tor), 5-4; Bunfill (Barn) p. Flowers (OG), 16-1; Mercer (Camb) p. Hatfield (Mag), 0:55; Myers (WP) p. Keys (TC), 4:30

220—Chukwu (L) p. Fijalkowski (UL), 1:23; Potts (MC) p. Householder (Tor), 0:40; Furbue (STC) p. Potts (Bealls), 0:19; Poling (Cald) p. Perdue (Barn), 1:23; Hall (PS) p. Edgell (Brk), 1:47; Bodkin (MF) d. Riddle (BvL), 4-1; Moore (Steub) md. Smith (WP), 8-0; Price (OG) d. Dozier (EL), 6-4

285—Bodkin (MF) p. Simmons (JM), 0:40; Mills (PS) p. Gilliam (HC), 1:52; Ernest (STC) d. Meadows (SS), 3-1; Powers (Morg) p. Martin (WM), 0:51; Mills (OG) p. Six (CB), 2:51; Rucker (Cald) p. Kilburn (MC), 1:59; Bloor (Wells) p. Haynes (Tor), 0:34; Solomon (Steub) d. Chlpps (TC), 11-4

CHAMPIONSHIP QUARTERFINALS

106—Hubbard (Steub) p. Zoumpolidis (MF), 5:15; Bookman (BvL) d. Young (SCC), 6-0; Martin (PS) d. Ice (EL), 8-4; Debee (OG) d. Holmes (JM), 10-2

113—Quinn (SS) p. Bertrand (JM), 1:42; Potts (EL) p. White (HC), 1:35; Dawson (BvL) md. Cline (PS), 9-1; Henson (U) d. Johnson (Weir), 9-3

120—Wilson (Steub) p. Zelders (U), 0:41; Curtin (L) p. Conicker (SCC), 3:48; Richter (MC) p. Roberts (PS), 16-0; Hague (IC) d. Wilson (Barn), 7-3

126—Daley (ED) d. Starkey (IC), 9-6; Wood (Cam) md. Oiler (EL), 12-4; Baciak (WP) p. Reed (Camb), 15-0; Kahl (SS) d. Collins (PS), 7-2

132—Goff (Steub) p. Adams (Mag), 3:28; Gaydosh (IC) d. Parsons (WP), 9-6; Nangle (PS) d. Good (WM), 7-0; Keyes (BvL) d. Rohrbach (U), 10-5

138—Jenkins (Mead) p. Griffin (Barn), 4:18; Tice (OG) d. Rayner (Cald), 7-3; Pizzino (HC) d. Hubbard (Steub), 6-5; Stewart (UL) d. Taylor (PS), 2-1 OT

145—Taylor (WP) p. Johnson (SS), 1:09; Lambiotte (PS) p. Arneault (OG), 5:35; Hanson (BvL) p. Cottrell (U), 1:28; Jenkins (Mead) d. Thompson (STC), 10-6

152—Moray (Steub) d. Coleman (MF), 8-3; Lopez (U) md. Riskey (HC), 14-0; Windland (PS) d. Shuman (OG), 10-3; Kahl (SS) d. Diglandomenico (WP), 8-1

160—DeLong (PS) d. Nash (WP), 13-8; Mowder (JM) p. Frisco (U), 15-0; Sokolowski (BL) d. Livingstone (Steub), 12-6; Shaw (WM) d. Howler (Barn), 10-4

170—Alexander (PS) p. Parsching (Camb), 2:51; Lowery (Tor) d. Deffenbaugh (Steub), 6-3; McFarland (L) d. Cool (OG), 8-0; Wotring (Morg) md. McConaughy (Mag), 13-3

182—Allman (PS) d. Ricker (WP), 7-3; Nice (Mag) d. Wells (ED), 6-3; B. Jones (Steub) d. T. Jones (BL), 9-2; Hoover (MF) d. Ramage (Mead), 4-2 OT

195—Newhart-Koreski (PS) p. Giovengo (L), 4:35; Mercer (Camb) p. Myers (WP), 3:57; Albertson (Steub) p. Doll (Brk), 2:55; Barber

(BvL) d. Bunfill (Barn), 5-4; 220—Bodkin (MF) d. Potts (MC), 3-1 OT; Chukwu (L) p. Price (OG), 3:13; Hall (PS) d. Poling (Cald), 2-1 OT; Furbue (STC) d. Moore (Steub), 7-2

285—Mills (PS) d. Rucker (Cald), 6-0; Bodkin (MF) d. Ernest (STC), 4-1; Mills (OG) d. Solomon (Steub), 7-6; Bloor (Wells) d. Powers (Morg), 7-1

FIRST ROUND CONSOLATIONS

120—Harper (Mead) p. Jaquay (WP), 1:45; Clark (Shen) d. Welmer (Morg), 6-3; Heavilin (HC) d. Marling (Bell), 6-3; Bookman (BvL) d. Logan (ED), 7-0; Thomas (JM) d. Wilson (Weir), 9-5

126—Raines (Bealls) won by forfeit over Heavilin (SCC); Lengyel (Weir) p. Gray (JM), 1:18; Gray (Steub) d. Barnes (BL), 12-8; Smith (WM) p. Mosman (L), 3:28

132—Cade (ED) p. Calay (Camb), 3:51; Stevens (STC) d. Loy (EL), 9-7; Wilhelm (Bell) md. Browne (Brk), 9-1; Wright (Weir) p. Kuebler (SCC), 2:44; Stewart (Riv) p. Kramer (Mead), 0:23; Eberhart (HC) d. Dunlap (JM), 7-0

138—Blystone (EL) p. Bond (Shen), 3:49; Davis (BvL) p. Russell (MF), 1:37; Giovengo (L) p. Baker (FF), 3:44; Baldwin (Cam) p. Yost (Brk), 4:59

145—Ferguson (Steub) p. Campbell (Mag), 1:58; Neavin (MF) md. Todd (WM), 9-1; Petry (Cald) d. Eakle (IC), 11-6; Dodds (HC) d. Schmlesing (SCC), 7-6; Hickman (Barn) p. Monte (Wells), 3:52; Kirby (CB) d. Hagood (Morg), 6-0; West (JM) p. Nelson (Bpt), 2:11

152—Miscuk (EL) p. Vance (Bealls), 0:58; Forquer (CB) p. Chico (L), 2:01; Delong (STC) d. Wood (Shen), 8-7

160—Maple (IC) d. Boyle (Wells), 8-2; Walker (EL) p. Davis (Cald), 4:48; Simpkins (Mag) p. West (Mead), 2:12

170—Yanovich (L) p. Knotts (FF), 1:38; Ingram (Cald) p. Blount (MF), 1:45; Mays (BvL) d. Rouse (WP), 3-2

182—Cobb (Cald) p. Jarman (IC), 1:52; Durrah (JM) d. Plumly (Barn), 6-2; Tokash (WM) p. High (Camb), 4:37; Chadwick (OG) p. Blackstone (MC), 4:48

195—Ekey (WM) p. Yates (FF), 2:09; Burge (Cam) p. Robinson (SS), 2:36; Rice (MF) p. Hundley (Bpt), 0:58; McCoy (Weir) p. Cacace (JM), 1:47; Price (Bell) p. Saling (Shen), 3:38

220—Wilson (Mag) p. Cook (BvL), 1:49; Eddy (TC) md. McCardle (JM), 10-0; Moore (Camb) p. Tidwell (Mead), 4:10; Robinson (IC) p. Sheets (ED), 3:43; DeFelice (SS) p. Mitchem (Cam), 1:33; Egyud (WM) p. Matheny (FF), 4:01

285—Ritchea (Cam) p. Linke (Weir), 0:25; Woodburn (BvL) p. Perry (Cam), 1:35; Taylor (Bealls) p. Morris (Bell), 1:24; Colvin (Mead) p. Oladimeji (L), 3:57

SECOND ROUND CONSOLATIONS

106—Creer (STC) won by forfeit; Stephens (Mead) p. Gurrera (WM), 0:33; Ott (HC) p. Riney (Brk), 2:18; Cecil (Mag) p. Niswonger (Cald), 3:46; Good (Camb) p. Bonar (TC), 0:49; Harris (Tor) p. Berberich (Bell), 1:59; Cain (Weir) p. Porter (WP), 2:59; Brown (SS) d. Starkey (IC), 7-5

113—Mackey (Cam) p. Baker (Mag), 2:20; Kleiner (ED) d. Whitley (UL), 4-2; Rejordan (Brk) md. Wood (Steub), 16-4; Grow (CB) md. Richter (MC), 11-0; Raines (Bealls) won by forfeit; Ball (Camb) p. Irvin (SCC), 15-0; Anderson (Tor) p. Price (IC), 1:30; Urdak (Mead) p. Salisbury (Morg), 0:54

120—Bozek (OG) p. Clark

(Shen), 0:21; Barnhart (Brk) d. Marell (BL), 6-0; Howell (UL) p. Pulice (WM), 1:19; Nice (Mag) d. Bookman (BvL), 8-4; Sarge (EL) d. Heavilin (HC), 4-0; Hunter (SS) p. Harper (Mead), 0:59; Walter (Tor) p. Davis (Cam), 1:24; Shockling (Cald) p. Thomas (JM), 3:21

126—Gray (Steub) md. Dean (Bpt), 10-0; Blankenship (MF) md. Watson (CB), 17-7; Howell (UL) p. Mazik (IC), 0:59; Moore (SJC) p. Lengyel (Weir), 2:15; Martsolf (BvL) d. Raines (Bealls), 6-0; Vincenzo (STC) d. Summerlin (U), 4-0; Riskey (HC) d. Gattrell (Mead), 6-2; Ritter (Mag) p. Smith (WM), 2:45

132—Ray (Morg) p. Wilhelm (Bell), 0:14; Skapik (SS) p. Sesse (FF), 1:56; Bower (L) p. Mead (TC), 4:02; Daugherty (Bealls) p. Cade (ED), 3:29; Stevens (STC) d. Savage (Tor), 3-0; Spalla (Cam) p. Eberhart (HC), 2:49; Strain (UL) p. Stewart (Riv), 4:01; Eckenrod (OG) d. Wright (Weir), 6-3

138—Hamlin (U) p. Brooks (MC), 0:37; Alwine (STC) p. Mason (BL), 4:14; Davis (BvL) p. Hawthorne (SS), 1:49; Schultheis (Riv) p. Mirandy (WP), 15-0; Tubaugh (JM) p. Blystone (EL), 0:49; Weaver (ED) d. Baldwin (Cam), 8-3; Mazik (IC) p. Yoho (Mag), 2:46; Baird (WM) p. Giovengo (L), 4:06

145—Neavin (MF) p. Schwarz (L), 2:51; Cooper (TC) p. Binkiewicz (BL), 0:52; Taylor (Riv) d. Petry (Cald), 12-5; Ketchum (EL) p. Dodds (HC), 3:47; Crum (UL) p. Kirby (CB), 15-0; Craig (MC) p. West (JM), 0:58; Ferguson (Steub) d. Fox (Camb), 6-4; Fisher (ED) p. Hickman (Barn), 1:46

152—Morrow (BL) p. Weldy (Barn), 0:16; Ekey (WM) p. Miscuk (EL), 2:15; Love (Mead) d. Carothers (MC), 11-6; Eckleberry (JM) d. Dayton (ED), 5-0; Starcher (Cam) d. Bigler (Tor), 10-5; McAfee (IC) md. Talbot (Riv), 17-5; Delong (STC) p. Palko (UL), 3:58; Forquer (CB) d. Street (Mag), 6-5

160—Hogan (OG) p. Walker (EL), 2:04; McConville (Bell) md. Taylor (UL), 14-4; Simpkins (Mag) d. Kenny (L), 4-1; Phillips (Bealls) p. Mercer (Camb), 1:59; Maple (IC) p. Goss (Morg), 1:31; Roberts (ED) p. Fields (Weir), 3:46; Allen (SS) p. Heath (STC), 0:57; Knecht (BvL) d. Zombek (Brk), 14-8

170—Parr (Weir) p. Schneidmiller (EL), 2:17; Yanovich (L) p. Chambers (Barn), 0:55; Ramage (Mead) p. Martin (Cam), 2:59; Mays (BvL) d. Boyer (HC), 8-2; Thomas (IC) p. Daley (SCC), 2:33; Yohn (U) p. Carnes (STC), 4:25; Johnston (Wells) p. Ingram (Cald), 1:16; Finsley (Brk) p. Cade (ED), 4:43

182—Wooding (L) p. Durrah (JM), 0:49; Matusik (Riv) p. Chadwick (OG), 1:52; Freeman (Shen) p. Webber (CB), 2:20; Mayfield (EL) p. Jenkins (HC), 2:12; Bobby (BvL) d. Miller (Cam), 10-7; Kusic (Bpt) d. Cobb (Cald), 4-2; Alvis (Tor) d. Tokash (WM), 5-2; Rusch (Morg) p. Brmac Jr. (U), 4:11

195—Keys (TC) p. Johnson (BL), 0:17; Hatfield (Mag) p. Price (Bell), 1:50; Fogle (Tor) p. Harris (ED), 0:30; Webster (U) d. McCoy (Weir), 7-2; Rogers (SCC) p. Burge (Cam), 1:36; Bonetti (SJC) p. Pitcher (Morg), 2:17; Flowers (OG) p. Rice (MF), 2:51; Ekey (WM) p. Felton (Riv), 4:54

220—Moore (Camb) p. Potts (Bealls), 2:14; Dozier (EL) p. Cuervo (SCC), 0:45; Smith (WP) p. Murr (Bpt), 1:27; Riddle (BvL) p. Robinson (IC), 1:46; Perdue (Barn) p. Eddy (TC), 0:19; Fijalkowski (UL) p. Egyud (WM), 0:59; DeFelice (SS) p. Edgell (Brk), 4:49; Householder (Tor) d. Wilson (Mag), 4-0

285—Kilburn (MC) p. Woodburn

(BvL), 0:57; Meadows (SS) p. Bryant (Bpt), 0:47; Gilliam (HC) p. Sawyers (Mag), 1:25; Haynes (Tor) p. Colvin (Mead), 1:29; Merritt (IC) d. Martin (WM), 3-2; Simmons (JM) p. Taylor (Bealls), 3:35; Six (CB) p. Ritchea (Cam), 1:26; Baker (Riv) p. Chippis (TC), 3:47

THIRD ROUND CONSOLATIONS

106—Stephens (Mead) p. Creer (STC), 0:20; Harris (Tor) p. Good (Camb); Ott (HC) p. Cecil (Mag), 3:23; Brown (SS) d. Cain (Weir), 9-4

113—Kleiner (ED) d. Mackey (Cam), 4-0; Ball (Camb) p. Raines (Bealls), 3:56; Rejordan (Brk) p. Grow (CB), 3:50; Anderson (Tor) p. Urdak (Mead), 2:36

120—Howell (UL) p. Nice (Mag), 1:32; Hunter (SS) p. Sarge (EL), 2:11; Bozek (OG) p. Barnhart (Brk), 1:56; Shockling (Cald) p. Walter (Tor), 1:37

126—Ritter (Mag) p. Riskey (HC), 0:36; Martsolf (BvL) p. Vincenzo (STC), 1:31; Howell (UL) p. Moore (SJC), 15-0; Gray (Steub) p. Blankenship (MF), 15-0

132—Skapik (SS) d. Ray (Morg), 5-3; Spalla (Cam) p. Strain (UL), 2:09; Bower (L) d. Eckenrod (OG), 9-6; Daugherty (Bealls) d. Stevens (STC), 6-3

138—Alwine (STC) md. Tubaugh (JM), 13-3; Davis (BvL) p. Schultheis (Riv), 2:25; Weaver (ED) d. Mazik (IC), 5-1; Hamlin (U) p. Baird (WM), 4:03

145—Cooper (TC) p. Neavin (MF), 2:20; Crum (UL) d. Ketchum (EL), 4-3; Furguson (Steub) d. Taylor (Riv), 10-5; Fisher (ED) p. Craig (MC), 4:28

152—Love (Mead) p. Morrow (BL), 2:00; Eckleberry (JM) d. Forquer (CB), 9-2; Ekey (WM) p. Starcher (Cam), 2:07; Delong (STC) d. McAfee (IC), 4-3

160—Allen (SS) p. Knecht (BvL), 0:51; Hogan (OG) d. Phillips (Bealls), 2-0; McConville (Bell) d. Simpkins (Mag), 6-4; Roberts (ED) d. Goss (Morg), 11-8

170—Ramage (Mead) p. Yanovich (L), 3:38; Parr (Weir) p. Thomas (IC), 0:36; Yohn (U) p. Johnston (Wells), 2:00; Mays (BvL) d. Finsley (Brk), 5-3

182—Wooding (L) p. Bobby (BvL), 0:27; Mayfield (EL) p. Matusik (Riv), 3:34; Freeman (Shen) d. Kusic (Bpt), 7-2; Rusch (Morg) p. Alvis (Tor), 4:43

195—Hatfield (Mag) p. Keys (TC), 4:40; Flowers (OG) p. Rogers (SCC), 2:31; Fogle (Tor) d. Ekey (WM), 8-1; Bonetti (SJC) md. Webster (U), 9-1

220—Moore (Camb) d. Smith (WP), 5-1; Riddle (BvL) d. Householder (Tor), 5-1; Pardue (Barn) p. DeFalice (SS), 4:44; Dozier (EL) d. Fijalkowski (UL), 6-0

285—Six (CB) p. Baker (Riv), 1:31; Kilburn (MC) p. Gilliam (HC), 0:32; Haynes (Tor) d. Merritt (IC), 4-1; Meadows (SS) d. Simmons (JM), 2-1 OT

FOURTH ROUND CONSOLATIONS

106—Holmes (JM) d. Harris (Tor), 5-4; Zoumpolidis (MF) p. Ott (HC), 4:51; Ice (EL) p. Brown (SS), 3:31; Young (SCC) d. Stephens (Mead), 8-1

113—Cline (PS) p. Kleiner (ED), 2:01; Anderson (Tor) p. Bertrand (JM), 0:47; Johnson (Weir) p. Rejordan (Brk), 16-1; White (HC) d. Ball (Camb), 5-1

120—Wilson (Barn) p. Shockling (Cald), 1:57; Roberts (PS) p. Hunter (SS), 3:40; Howell (UL) d. Zelders (U), 3-1; Conicker (SCC) d. Bozek (OG), 5-2

126—Oiler (EL) p. Gray (Steub), 3:29; Starkey (IC) p. Ritter (Mag), 15-0; Reed (Camb) d. Howell (UL), 4-3; Collins (PS) d. Martsolf (BvL), 3-1

132—Good (WM) d. Bower (L), 5-0; Adams (Mag) d. Daugherty (Bealls), 3-1; Spalla (Cam) d. Rohrbach (U), 9-4; Parsons (WP) p. Skapik (SS), 2:49

138—Rayner (Cald) md. Davis (BvL), 15-2; Hubbard (Steub) d. Hamlin (U), 6-0; Taylor (PS) d. Weaver (ED), 3-1; Griffin (Barn) d. Alwine (STC), 3-2

145—Arneault (OG) p. Cooper (TC), 2:56; Thompson (

62ND ANNUAL RON MAUCK OVAC TOURNEY

South Rises Again To First Place



Photo by Mike Palmer

Wheeling Park's Dylan Taylor tries to slam Monroe Central's Patrick Craig opponent to the mat during the the 62nd Annual Ron Mauck OVAC Wrestling Tournament Friday at WesBanco Arena. Taylor pinned his opponent in 1:43.

OVAC wrestling tourney concludes today

By **KYLE LUTZ**
Staff Writer

WHEELING — After a successful first night of the Ron Mauck OVAC Wrestling Tournament, it was right back to business Friday afternoon and evening for the athletes. For the Parkersburg South Patriots, it was just another day in the office as they maintained their first-place standing and enter the final day with 177 points.

Steubenville remained second with a total of 145 points, followed by Beaver Local in third (102.5) and Oak Glen in fourth (101). Shadyside rounds out the top five overall standings with 84.5 points.

Going into the quarterfinals, there were 15 wrestlers that were undefeated on the season and 10 freshmen. One freshman was undefeated.

After the night ended, five undefeated wrestlers were beaten and put in the consolation bracket.

John Marshall senior Casey Mowder is one of the undefeated remaining. The senior Monarch has put in a lot of work to get

to the position that he is in right now. As a junior, he suffered a season-ending injury in the first match of the season.

"Casey being a senior, he is very skilled and very dedicated to the sport of wrestling," John Marshall coach Ted Zervos said. "He had some ups in his career, but last year he was out the entire season. He worked very hard in the offseason to become physically stronger and to have an injury in the first match of the season was very disheartening."

Mowder did not let the injury get the best of him and he climbed his way to the top this season, securing his 100th victory in his high school career Jan. 3 at Cameron.

"He is very goal-oriented," Zervos said. "He has worked harder than anybody. I know what Casey's goals are. He wants to be an OVAC champ. He wants to be a dominant wrestler in this tournament."

The Monarchs sit in at 21st place.

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Another local wrestler that surpassed his 100th win in his career is Wheeling Park's Dallas Baciak, who got it earlier this year. Baciak, the No. 1 seed at 126, will have a matchup against Cameron's Dalton Wood.

Dylan Taylor is the only other Patriot left in the championship bracket as he will be taking on T.J. Lambiotte of Parkersburg South in a crucial, 145-pound matchup.

"Saturday is the best day here," Wheeling Park coach Jack Doyle said. "You get a lot of quality wrestling. Really, everybody has made it to this point because they're quality wrestlers. They know what they are doing. Anybody stands a chance against anybody else. It's going to be fun."

St. Clairsville's Michael Furbee and Martins Ferry's Bryce Coleman were also mentioned in securing their 100th victory.

Wheeling Park also has five other athletes competing in the consolation bracket for a third-place finish.

"Some of the guys are talking about team scores and I keeping telling them, 'that's going to take care of itself,'" Doyle said. "We have seven guys placing. Two that are still in the championship bracket and have a chance to take home the title. The other five, their goal has to be third place. It's kind of known in wrestling when you are in a championship bracket you are wrestling for yourself. Once you lose, you are now wrestling for the team and are trying to score as many points for the team as possible."

South leads the 5A division while Beaver Local leads the 4A. Magnolia is in front in 3A and Shadyside is in first in the 1/2A division.

Linsly is making a solid running in the overall team scores as the Cadets sit ninth with 71 points.

"Our kids are wrestling extremely hard," Linsly coach Brian Valentine said.

The Cadets still have two wrestlers in the championship bracket in Tommy Curtin and Chukwudi Chukwu. According to Valentine, if either wins the title, it will be the first time in 17 years that a Cadets wrestler has claimed first place at the OVAC Tournament.

OVAC Wrestling Tournament Returns Thursday for 62nd Year

By KYLE LUTZ
Staff Writer

WHEELING — It is almost hard to believe that the high school winter sports season is already mid-way through. Wrestlers are probably surprised the 62nd annual OVAC wrestling tournament starts Thursday at

WesBanco Arena.

Parkersburg South, the returning overall and 5A champion, is deemed the favorite to win again. The Patriots have all of their wrestlers seeded in their weight classes. Three of those are No. 1 seeds, including 160-pound Hunter Delong (8-4), 170-pound

Dylan Alexander (17-4) and 195-pound Tyler Newhart-Koreski (16-3).

"We are so tickled with what our boys have done this year," Parkersburg South coach Donna Dixon said at Monday's OVAC news conference. "They have had a lot of success. The fact that all

14 boys are seeded, we're are just really, really proud of them."

"It's a fun position," Dixon said about being returning champions. "We want to be repeat champions. That's our goal and we are looking forward to this weekend."

Parkersburg South will have

some competition as Steubenville will be another one of the favorites to bring home a title. Big Red has the most No. 1 seeded wrestlers in the tournament with four.

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Freshman Jashon Hubbard (24-2) has had a great first year in high school as he is the top dog in the 106-pound weight class.

Also representing Big Red is No. 1 seeds 120-pound Tariq Wilson (26-0), 132-pound Dakotah Goff (18-5), and 182-pound Branden Jones (23-5). Steubenville is the returning 4-A class champion.

Steubenville Catholic returns as the Class 3-A champion and Caldwell is the defending 1A/2A champion.

"Going in, South is the one who set the bar when they got in here, it was a great pickup by the OVAC," Big Red coach Michael Blackburn said. "They always have great quality teams. It

makes the OVAC that much stronger. They set the bar, and we know where we got to beat them.

"It's great to have four No. 1 seeds, but to win this tournament you have to have all 14 kids produce. They've got to win matches and get points and they have to place. You need everyone to pull their weights and win some matches."

Wheeling Park, who has two returning OVAC champions in 126-pounder Dallas Baciak (126) who has yet to lose this year and 145-pound Dylan Taylor (23-3). Taylor won as a sophomore and was a finalist as a freshman.

"(Taylor) is looking to get back into that finals match and looking for a

second OVAC title as well as Dallas," Wheeling Park coach Jack Doyle said.

"Both of them are seniors and what would be better than to have them go out on top. They have had fun competition between them all year," Doyle said. "Who can have the most pins, best records and its just fun within a team, to have little competitions like that. They're going to be battling again. They want to be out there. They both want to be OVAC champs."

There will be a new face at the tournament this year as Fort Frye will be making its inaugural appearance.

The opening ceremonies start at 6 p.m. on Thursday followed by wrestling at 6:30 p.m. The tournament will run through Saturday.

62nd annual Ron Mauck OVAC Wrestling Tournament Six area matmen reach championship final

By KIM NORTH
Times Leader Sports Writer

WHEELING — The last six standing.

Fourteen area wrestlers entered Saturday afternoon's semifinal round with hopes of advancing to the championship finals of the 62nd annual Ron Mauck Ohio Valley Athletic Conference Wrestling Tournament later that night inside WesBanco Arena.

However, when the whistles had stopped blowing and the 28 bouts had been contested, only six individuals remained alive in an effort to achieve their goals. The six all hail from different schools, as well.

Locally, Harrison Central's Hunter Pizzino (138), Linsly's Chukwudi Chukwu (220), Martins Ferry's Jonathan Bodkin (285), Monroe Central's Rodney Richter (120), Shadyside's Brett Kahl (152) and Union Local's Matt



McFarland (170) are all finalists.

Because of deadline, complete coverage of Saturday night's finals can be found on The Times Leader's website (timesleaderonline.com) and will be contained inside Monday's printed edition.

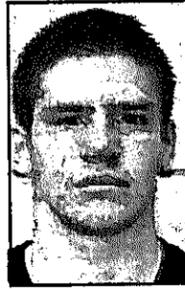
Bodkin, the Purple Riders' top-seeded senior, was looking to repeat his 2014 title when he faced Wellsville's second-seeded Seth Bloor. Both wrestlers are highly ranked in the Buckeye State.

"I haven't really felt any pressure (to repeat)," Bodkin said after defeating Oak Glen's Noah Mills, the fourth seed, 4-3. "I just go out and do what I have to do. I feel that if I get a takedown I can win the match. That's what I have to do tonight."

Bloor, now a spotless 17-0, decisioned sixth-seeded Dane Mills, of Parkersburg South, 3-1. See, OVAC, Page C2



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Monroe Central
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HUNTER PIZZINO
Harrison
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BRETT KAHL
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Linsly
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2, to reach the finals.

"I'm going to have any wear him out," Bodkin, who improved to 16-1, said of the Tigers' senior who will be placing for the fourth straight year.

Pizzino reached the finals for the first time, and in doing so he avenged a 2-1 overtime loss to Union Local's Bobby Stewart in last year's semis in the process. The Huskies' third-seeded senior is now a perfect 13-0 after outlasting Stewart, the No. 2 seed, by a 3-2 count, also in an extra session.

"I kept the pace up and kept working hard," Pizzino said of his strategy. "I knew what he was going to do, so I took advantage of it."

Knotted at 1-1 after six minutes of action, Stewart managed an escape to lead 2-1 in the second OT. With time running down in the match, Pizzino recorded a takedown and held on for the win.

"I knew I had to keep attacking him and keep the pressure on," Pizzino, a 4-time placewinner, explained of his winning move. "I knew I'd eventually come out on top."

He met top-seeded Tyler Jenkins, of Meadowbrook, in the finals.

Richter, the Seminoles' No. 2 seed at 120, earned his berth in the finals with a methodical, 12-3, major decision over Indian Creek's sixth-seeded Daniel Hague for his 22nd victory in as many matches.

"I just stuck with what I knew and wrestled," Richter, who placed fourth at the same weight a year ago. "I give 110 percent every match and don't give up until the end."

In the finals, the Monroe Central senior was matched with Steubenville's top-seeded and two-time defending champion Tariq Wilson, who was 30-0 and a Division II Ohio state runnerup last winter at 113.

"I know he's quick and has a nice ankle pick. That's about it," Richter said of Wilson. "I've never met him before."

Kahl, the Tigers' second-seeded sophomore, is now 21-2 after holding off No. 3 seed Tyler Windland, 4-3. As it turned out, he was the only one of three Shadyside semifinalists that prevailed.

"It feels great," Kahl said of being in the finals. "It's a great environment out here. Making the finals means all the hard work in the (wrestling) room has paid off."

"Watching (Quinn and Josh Kahl) lose definitely put some pressure on me (to win)," he said. "They are my teammates, one's my brother, and it was tough to see them lose in the semis."

For his reward, Kahl met defending champion and No. 1 seeded Ryan Lopez, of University, who took out fourth-seeded Nico Moray, of Steubenville, 9-2.

"He's tough on top and really strong," Kahl said of Lopez, who was 29-0 entering the finals.

McFarland, the Jets' unbeaten second-seeded junior, hiked his record to an impressive 38-0 with a narrow, 1-0, nod over Morgantown's third-seeded Morgan Wotring.

Last season McFarland entered the tournament seeded No. 8 at the same weight, but failed to place. He made sure that didn't happen this year.

"After last year's sudden upset nothing feels better than being in the finals," he said. "That's been the driving force for me this season. After making state's last year, my main goal was to come back here and show people I'm for real."

McFarland was paired with Parkersburg South's No. 1 seed Dylan Alexander last night. Alexander was fourth at 170 a year ago.

"He's good. I need to work my butt off to beat him," he said.

Chukwu, the top seed after finishing second last year at 285, defeated Martins Ferry freshman Hunter Bodkin, 12-3.

"I just wrestle," Chukwu, who is 13-1. "I thank God and my coaches for getting me to where I am."

The Linsly senior was paired with Parkersburg South's Thomas Hall, whom he upset in last year's semifinals when Hall was the No. 1 seed at 285. Hall advanced by slipping past St. Clairsville's Michael Furbee, 3-1, in overtime.

Just missing chances at finals' berths besides Stewart, Furbee and Hunter Bodkin were Shadyside's Greg Quinn (113) and Josh Kahl (126); Buckeye Local's Josh Sokolowski (160); and Martins Ferry's Dalton Hoover (182).

The third-seeded Quinn was outscored 20-11 by East Liverpool's No. 2 seed Alex Potts, whom he lost to in last year's 106 pound finals. Kahl, the second seed, was leading Edison's sixth-seeded Robert Daley before being pinned with one second remaining in the second period.

Sokolowski, like Kahl, was ahead 6-3 in his match with Parkersburg South's top-seeded and defending champion Hunter DeLong after one period. However, the Patriots' sophomore recorded a 2:47 pin of the Panthers' fourth seed.

Hoover, the Purple Riders' third-seeded frosh, was pinned by Parkersburg South's No. 2 seed and defending champion Justin Allman in 1:24.

All 14 top seeds were still alive for championships, including all four of Steubenville's. They included Jashon Hubbard (106), Wilson, Dakota Goff (132) and Branden Jones (182).

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Jones twins recall their OVAC wrestling titles

By KIM NORTH
Times Leader Sports Writer

WHEELING — During the illustrious 62-year history of the Ron Mauck Ohio Valley Athletic Conference Wrestling Tournament, there have been several sets of brothers who have climbed their way to the top of the podium after three grueling days of action on the mat. However, of those, only one set of identical twins have claimed titles, and they did it on the same night.

On a cold and wintry January night in 1990, Don and Jon Jones, of Cadiz High School, accomplished the previously unachieved laurels when they won the 145 and 152 championships — back-to-back — inside the then-Wheeling Civic Center. The two, who own and operate D&J Sales & Service — Tractor & Farm Equipment in their hometown, were honored during the final session of the 62nd annual event recently, along with nine other individual champions from 1990.

"It was very special," Don, the first to take the mat, recalled. "I remember it plain as day."

Don, the No. 2 seed met top-seeded Buster Vcelka, of Union Local, a wrestler he had never beaten ... until that cherished night when he prevailed, 5-4.

"He was a junior and I was a senior," Don recalled. "I just made my mind up that I wasn't going to lose my senior year in OVACs. I was a runnerup my junior year, so I knew what it was like to be there. I wanted to make sure I finished better than my junior year."

Jon was the No. 3 seed and upset top-seeded Kyle Rose of River, who went on to finish second in the state that season, 5-0.

"I was pretty confident (for him) because I knew he would feed off what I did," Don explained. "He was more aggressive than I was. I just told him to go out and do the job. I did my part, now it's up to you to do yours."

Competing one weight class behind his brother, Jon didn't have time to celebrate with his sibling until after he won his title.

"I didn't have much time to think about what he (Don) had done. There's such a short time in between (matches). It was time to go," Jon explained. "What he did helped me win mine because I fed off of his victory."

When asked if they had a wrestling room in their house growing up, they both acknowledged "going to the barn."

"We grew up on a farm so we went to the barn at night," Don said, with Jon nodding in agreement. "We had some real battles in the barn. We wrestled a lot of matches in there."

"We were always pretty competitive," Jon allowed. "We never really



ABOVE: The Jones brothers, Don, left, and Jon received their 25-year OVAC wrestling tournament championship reunion plaques recently.

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AT LEFT: The Jones brothers, in the same positions, are pictured in 1990 after winning titles as Cadiz Cardinals.

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wrestled a lot against each other in the practice room because it usually ended up in a fight."

In addition to winning his OVAC title as a senior, Don advanced to the Division III state finals with a unbeaten 36-0 record before falling.

"I remember that match to this day," he said of a loss to Tom Nye, of Edgerton High School. "It was ugly."

Jon was a two-time state qualifier, placing sixth as a junior.

"I got caught in the first round (at state) my senior year," he said with a grimace. "It was one of those things."

Ironically, Rose, as reported earlier, wound up second to Chad Martz, of Archbold.

"I had beaten that kid earlier in the season," Jon said of Martz. "It ended up that I beat both of the guys in the finals."

Both attended Ashland College and wrestled for three years before academics took first priority.

"We were both education majors," Jon, who was voted the Most Outstanding Wrestler of the annual

OVAC-MAC All-Star Classic, said. "It wasn't bad the first three years, but with all the student teaching and stuff our senior year, we thought it better to concentrate on the academics."

Don spent 10 days wrestling in Russia in 1992, calling it "a great experience. Wrestling helped get me to where I am today."

Both were quick to credit two coaches — John Stephenson and Joel Davia — for making them the wrestlers they were. Stephenson tutored them the first two years, with Davia picking up their junior and senior seasons.

"You couldn't ask for two better guys to coach you," Jon praised. "Both are top-notch gentlemen. It was a privilege to learn from them."

Don added, "That pretty much summed it up," he said of his brother's recount. "They helped us get to where we were 25 years ago. I can't thank them enough."

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Photo by Mike Palmer

Linsly's Chuckwudi Chuckwu celebrates with Coach Brian Valentine after winning the championship bout of the 220-pound weight class.

Area matmen denied crowns at OVAC

• Shadyside, Linsly win class team titles

By KIM NORTH
Times Leader Sports Writer

WHEELING — While no area individuals would claim championships during the 62nd annual Ron Mauck Ohio Valley Athletic Conference Wrestling Tournament late Saturday night inside WesBanco Arena, Shadyside and Linsly would rule the Class A/AA and Class AAA team standings, respectively.

Head coach Sean Grinch's Tigers piled up 109.5 points to easily outdistance second-place Toronto for their title after finishing second in 2014. They also placed seventh overall.

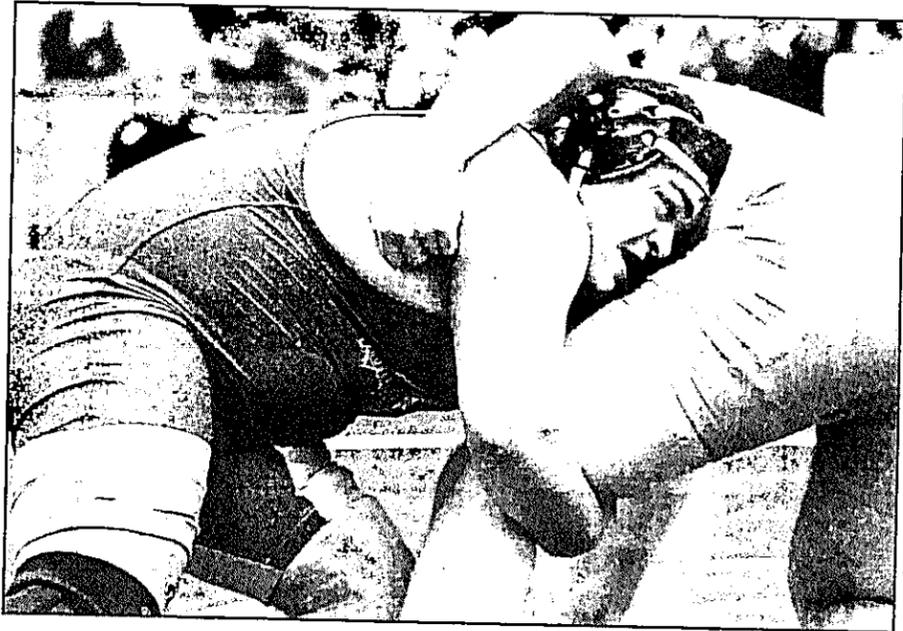
"The goal coming into the weekend was to win (Class) AA and finish in the top 10," Grinch

explained. "We accomplished both of those, so I'm extremely proud of the kids. They all wrestled hard all weekend long. I couldn't be happier."

Linsly, which has only had a team for three years after a several year absence, amassed 95 points for its championship.

Shadyside placed four wrestlers, tied for the most among local schools behind Martins Ferry, which had five wrestlers reach the podium. Barnesville, which finished third in Class AAA, also had four placewinners, while Harrison Central, Linsly, Monroe Central and Union Local all had three. St. Clairsville had two and Buckeye Local one.

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MARTINS FERRY'S Jonathan Bodkin and Wellsville's Seth Bloor wrestle in the 285-pound OVAC final Saturday night at WesBanco Arena. Bloor won in double overtime, denying Bodkin the chance at his second conference title. *Additional images may be found at cu.timesleaderonline.com*

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Area schools did have five individual runnersup.

They were Monroe Central's Rodney Richter who was pinned by Steubenville's Tariq Wilson in 2:54 at 120; Harrison Central's Hunter Pizzino who dropped a 1-0 nailbiter to Meadowbrook's top-seeded Tyler Jenkins at 138; Shadyside's Brett Kahl who dropped a 5-2 decision to University's Ryan Lopez at 152; Union Local's Matt McFarland who saw his unbeaten streak snapped at 39 after a 13-2 loss to No. 1 seeded Dylan Alexander at 170; and Martins Ferry's top-seeded Jonathan Bodkin, a defending champion, who suffered a 4-3 loss in the ultimate tiebreaker at 285.

Richter, who trailed 10-3 before being pinned, knew Wilson was tough, especially with his ankle picks.

"He hit it (the ankle pick) right off the bat," Richter explained. "I guess I went in there not really mentally prepared for what I was getting into. He outwrestled me. The better wrestler won, I guess."

Pizzino and Jenkins went nose-to-nose, with the Huskies' senior giving Jenkins an escape to start the second period.

"I thought I could take him down. I kept pushing the pace, but I couldn't come up with it," Pizzino said.

To start the third period, Pizzino had the choice and he took neutral.

"I thought I could get the take-down, but it didn't happen."

Kahl and the defending champ Lopez were deadlocked at two after two periods, but the Hawks' senior scored three points to remain unbeaten.

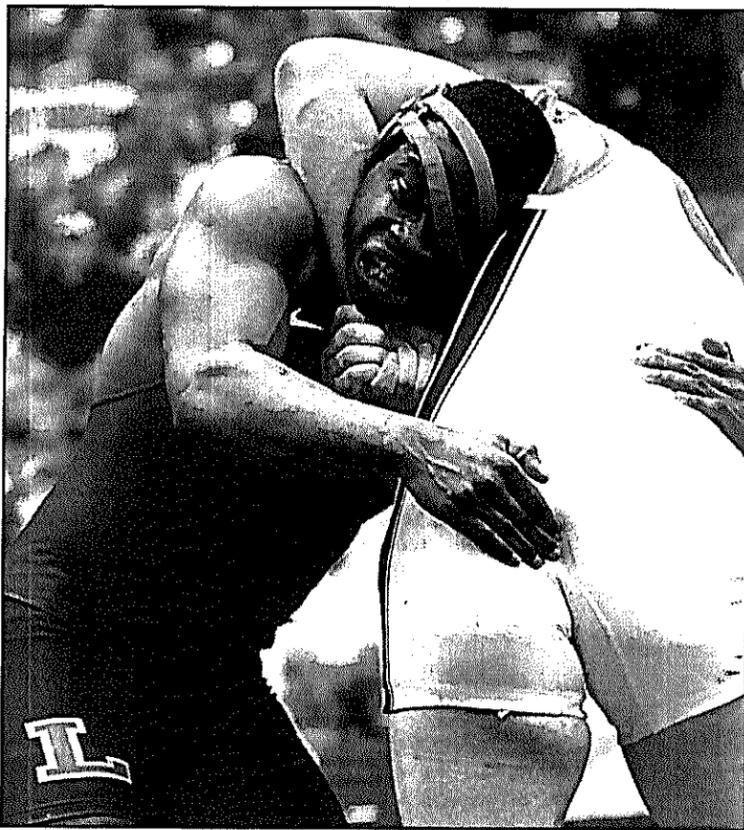
"It was a tough loss, but he's a great wrestler," Kahl said. "He's really strong and good on top. He's also good on his feet, so I was hesitant with everything."

Bodkin wasn't pleased with himself following his hard-to-swallow setback.

"I've got to be able to get a take-down," he admitted. "I need to start working harder in and out of the practice room. I expect more of myself than runnerup when I won the tournament last year."

Linsly's Chukwudi Chukwu, who lost to Bodkin in last year's 285-pound final, won the 220 crown with a 6-2 decision over Parkersburg South's Thomas Hall, whom he defeated in last year's semifinals. It was the first individual title for the Cadets in 17 years since Chad Pratz won in 1998.

Other champions were Steubenville's Jashon Hubbard (106); East Liverpool's Alex Potts (113); Wheeling Park's Dallas Baciak (126); Steubenville's



LINSLY'S Chukwudi Chukwu, left, tries to lift Parkersburg South's Thomas Hall in their 220-pound championship bout Saturday night.

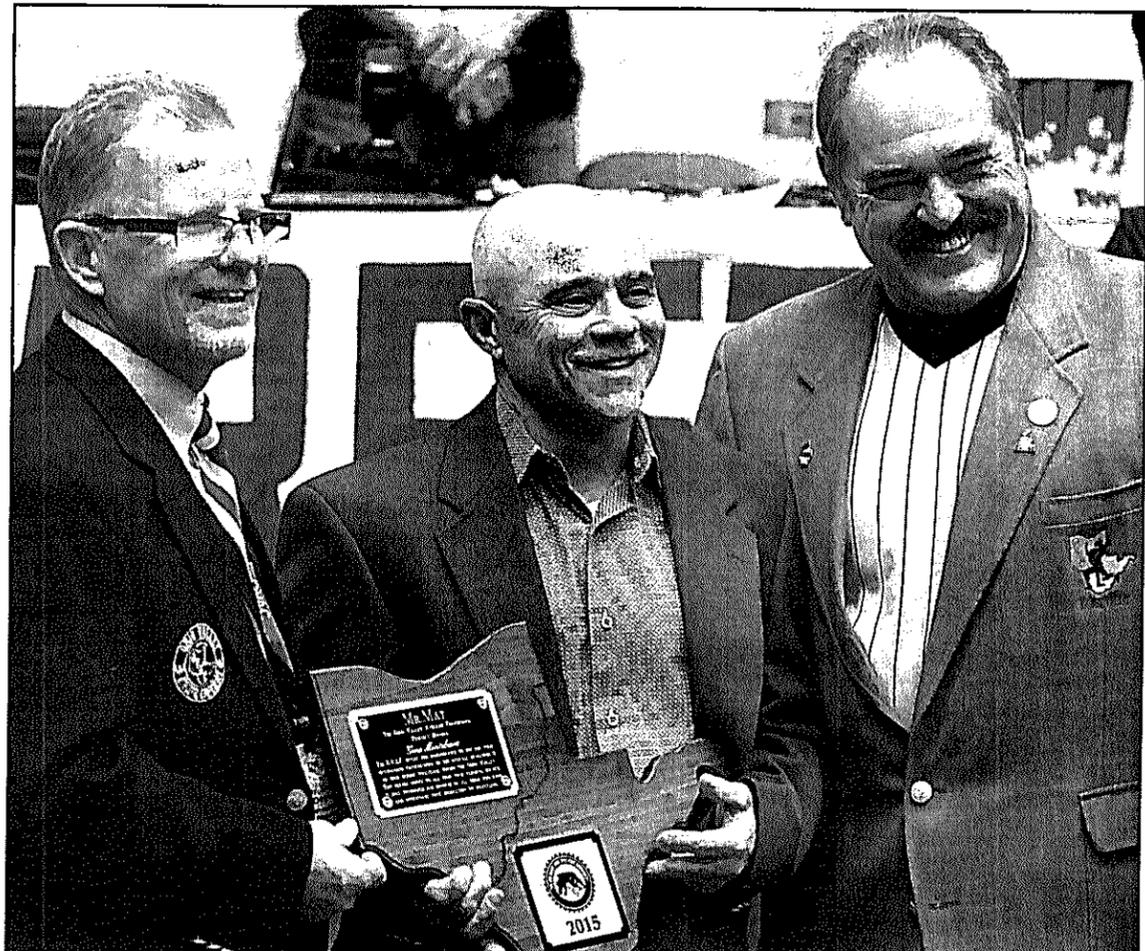
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Dakota Goff (132); Beaver Local's Daniel Hasson (145); Parkersburg South's Hunter DeLong (160); Steubenville's Branden Jones (182); and Parkersburg South's Tyler Newhart-Koreski (195).

The Wood County Patriots established a new tournament record with 315 points, eclipsing their own mark of 305.

Potts was voted the Bierkorte Award winner, while Wilson earned the Hercules Award by pinning all five of his opponents in 6:34.

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GENE MONTELEONE, center, was named the 2015 Mr. Mat Award winner Saturday night during the 62nd annual Ron Mauck OVAC Wrestling Tournament. He is pictured with Dan Doyle, left, and Buzzy Evans, right. *Additional images can be found at cu.timesleaderonline.com*

Action under way in three-day OVAC Wrestling Tournament

WHEELING, WV — Defending champion Parkersburg South broke out to the first-day lead in the 62nd annual OVAC Ron Mauck Wrestling Tournament which began a three-day run at WesBanco Arena on Thursday.

Following the always-impressive opening ceremonies, first round matches were contested on the eight mats, with Parkersburg South scoring 56 points to take the lead, with Steubenville Big Red currently second with 43.5 points. University High (32), Oak Glen (28) and Beaver Local (27.5) rounded out the top five overall.

In the division breakdown, South leads the 5A standings; Oak Glen is the leader in 4A; Magnolia is on top in 3A; and Toronto is first among the Class 1A/2A teams.

Among local teams, Barnesville is currently 13th overall and third in Class 3A with 18 points; Caldwell is fourth among Class 1A/2A teams with 14 points; Meadowbrook is seventh in Class 4A with 12 points; and Cambridge is eight in Class 5A with 10 points. Shenandoah has failed to score and is last in Class 3A.

Of the 112 seeded wrestlers (eight in each of the 14 weight classes), only four sustained first-round defeats. That group included Cambridge's Logan Ball (the No. 6 seed at 113 pounds); Clay-Battelle's Colton Kirby (the No. 6 seed beaten by Cambridge's Adam Fox at 145 pounds); Morgantown's Chris Rusch (the no. 7 seed at 182 pounds); and Indian Creek's Donnie Merritt (the No. 8 seed at 285 pounds).

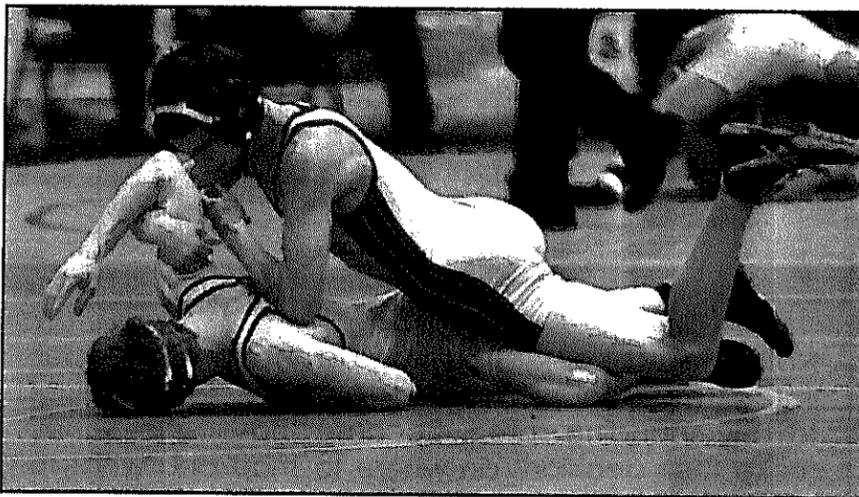
Action resumes today with sessions starting at 12 noon and 6 p.m., with two sessions also slated Saturday — the first at 12 noon and the finals at 6 p.m.

TEAM SCORES

1. Parkersburg South 56; 2. Steubenville 43.5; 3. University 32; 4. Oak Glen 28; 5. Beaver Local 27.5; 6. Magnolia 26; 7. Wheeling Park 25.5; 8. Toronto 24; 9. Linsly 22; 10. (tie) East Liverpool, Shadyside 21.5; 12. Union Local 20; 13. (tie) Barnesville, Martins Ferry 18; 15. (tie) Edison, Monroe Central, Morgantown 16; 18. (tie) John Marshall, Madonna 15; 20. Caldwell 14; 21. (tie) Meadowbrook, River 12; 23. Steubenville Catholic Central 11.5; 24. (tie) Harrison Central, Indian Creek 11; 26. (tie) Cambridge, St. Clairsville 10;



The Cambridge High wrestling team makes its way onto the mats at WesBanco Arena in Wheeling as part of the lavish opening ceremonies for the 62nd OVAC Ron Mauck Wrestling Tournament. Competition continues today and wraps up Saturday night.



Cambridge High's Logan Ball battles John Marshall's Brandon Bertrand during first-round action at the 62nd OVAC Ron Mauck Wrestling Tournament at WesBanco Arena in Wheeling on Thursday. Ball dropped a 7-6 overtime decision in the match.

28. Buckeye Local 8.5; 29. (tie) Cameron, Wellsville 8; 31. (tie) Beallsville, Brooke 6; 33. (tie) Bridgeport, St. John Central, Tyler Consolidated, Weir 4; 37. Clay-Battelle 2; 38. (tie) Bellaire, Fort Frye, Shenandoah 0

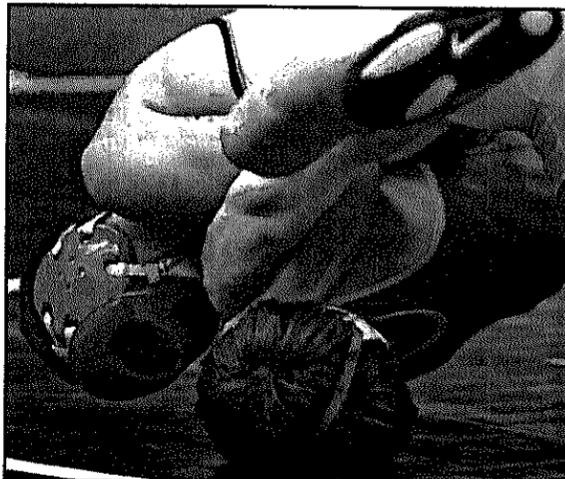
FIRST ROUND

106--Hubbard (Steub) p. Creer (STC), 0:24; Zoumpolidis (MF) d. Stephens (Mead), 10-8; Young (SCC) p. Ott (HC), 0:59; Bookman (BvL) p. Cecil (Mag), 0:47; Martin (PS) p. Good (Camb), 3:58; Ice (EL) p. Berberich (Bell), 0:09; Holmes (JM) p. Porter (WP), 3:29; DeBee (OG) p. Starkey (IC), 0:58

113--Henson (U) p. Maker (Mag), 0:24; Johnson (Weir), p. Whitely (UL), 1:26; Dawson (BvL) tf. Wood (Steub); Cline (PS) p. Richter (MC), 0:11; Quinn (SS) p. Sansone (WP), 1:59; White (HC) p. Price (IC), 1:10; Potts (EL) p. Salisbury (Morg), 0:22; Bertrand (JM) d. Ball (Camb), 7-6 OT

120--Wilson (Steub) p. Clark (Shen), 0:08; Shockling (Cald) md. Weimer (Morg), 11-0; Zeiders (U) p. Marelli (BL), 3:10; Curtin (L) p. Pulice (WM), 1:59; Sarge (EL) d. Bookman (BvL), 3-2; Nice (Mag) md. Marling (Bell), 12-1; Wilson (Barn) d. Heavilin (HC), 3-1; Howell (UL) d. Harper (Mead), 12-6; Hague (IC) tf. Jaquay (WP), 23-6; Roberts (PS) p. Davis (Cam), 0:25; Richter (MC) p. Wilson (Weir), 2:13; Coniker (SCC) tf. Logan (ED), 17-0; Bozek (OG) p. Thomas (JM), 2:33

126--Baciak (WP) p. Gray (Steub), 2:28; Rlter (Mag) p. Barnes (BL), 3:06; Reed (Camb) p. Watson (CB), 0:36; Oiler (EL) tf. Mazik (IC), 18-1; Wood (Cam) p. Lengyel (Weir), 0:07; Starkey



Meadowbrook High's Tyler Jenkins, the No. 1 seed at 138 pounds, is in control against Beaver Local's Clay Davis during Thursday's opening round bout at the 62nd OVAC Ron Mauck Wrestling Tournament at WesBanco Arena. Jenkins scored a pinfall in 3:11.

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132--Goff (Steub) p. Browne (Brk), 2:24; Adams (Mag) p. Seese (FF), 1:08; Gaydosh (IC) tf. Caley (Camb), 18-1; Spalla (Cam) p. Stevens (STC), 5:11; Parsons (WP) p. Loy (EL), 0:14; Nangle (PS) p. Eberhart (HC), 1:29; Savage (Tor) d. Dunlap

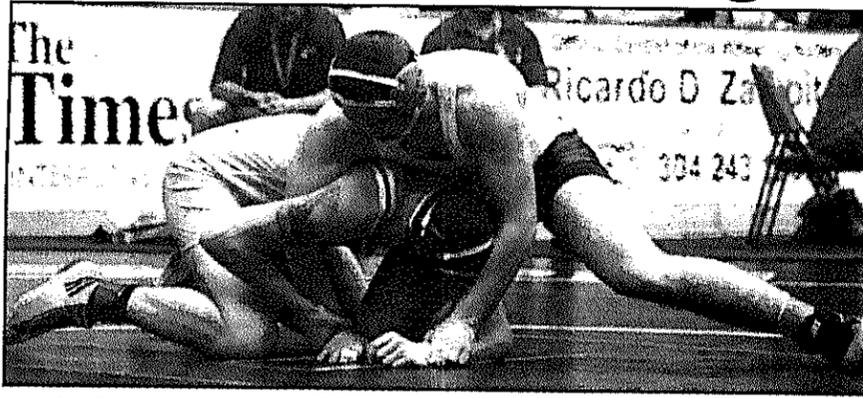
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138--Jenkins (Mead) p. Davis (BvL), 3:11; Baird (WM) p. Russell (MF), 1:55; Hamlin (U) p. Mirandy (WP), 3:06; Rayner (Cald) md. Mason (BL), 13-3; Tice (OG) p. Blystone (EL), 1:05;

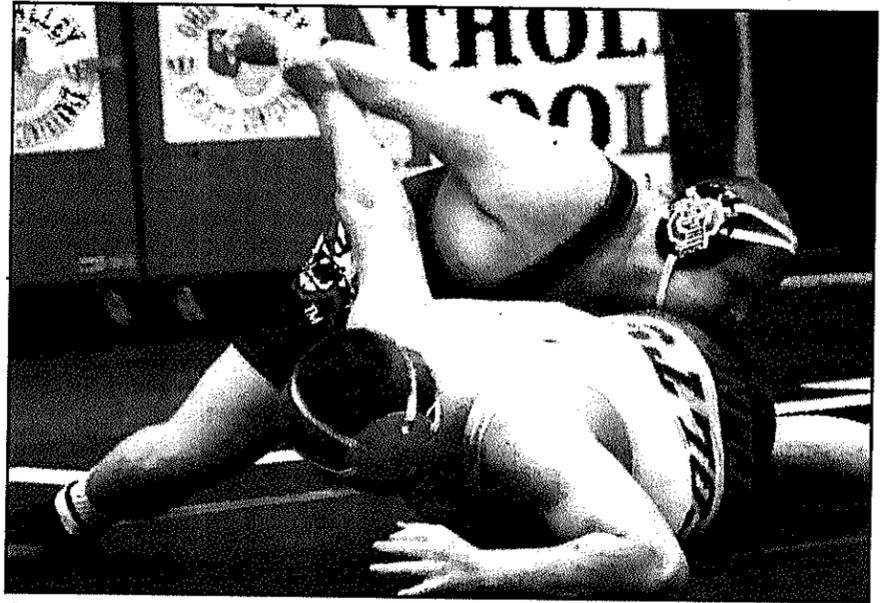
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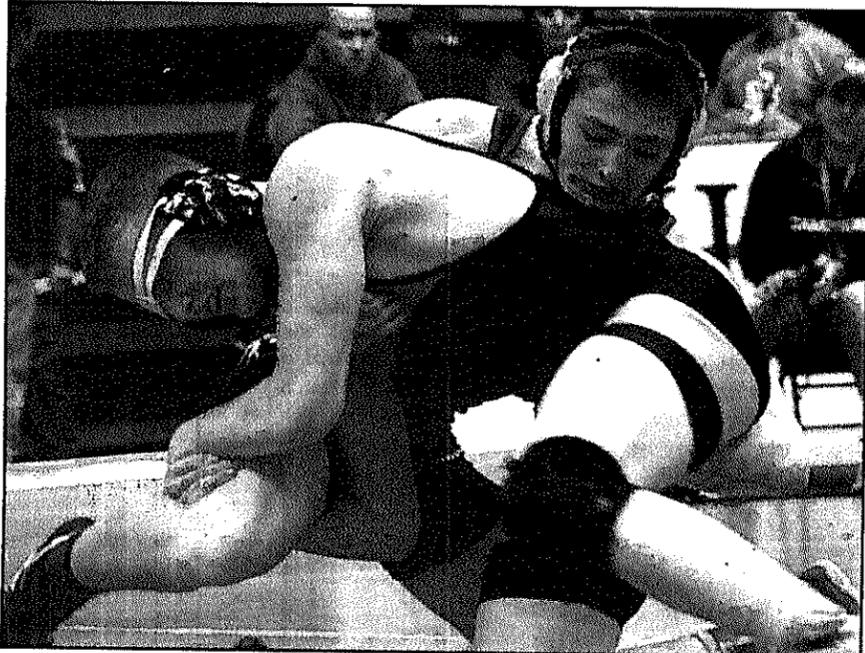
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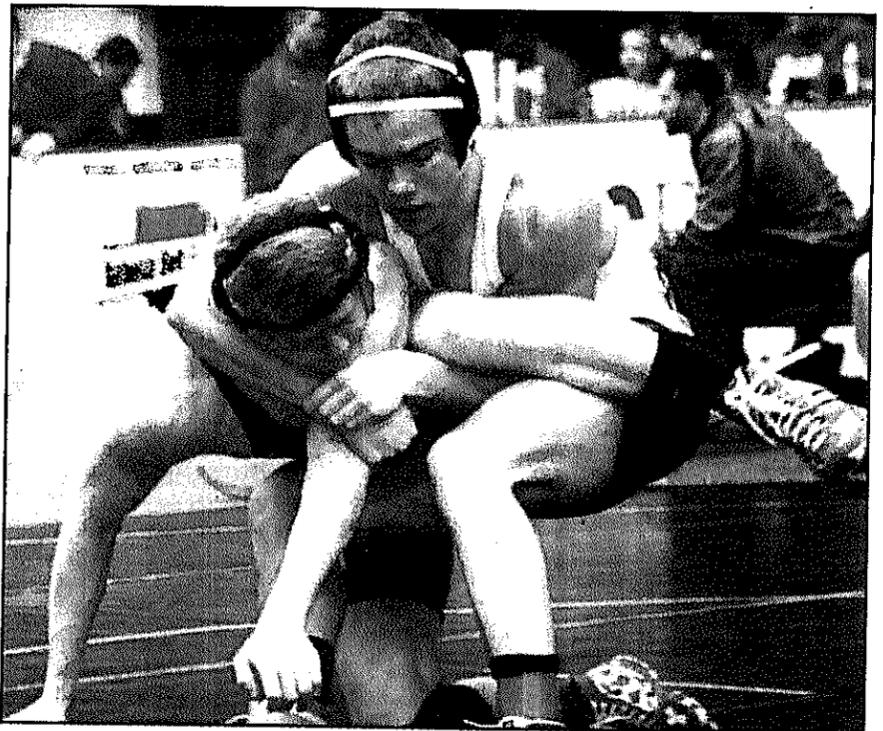
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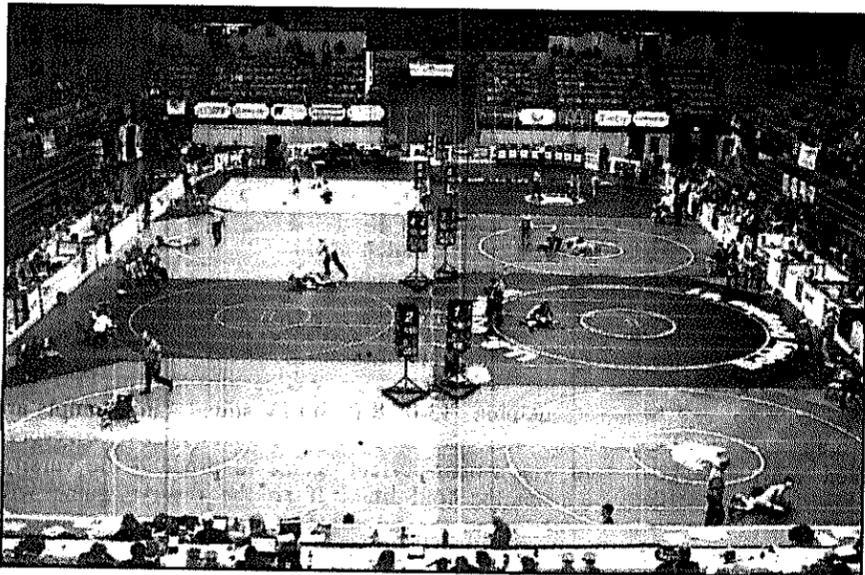
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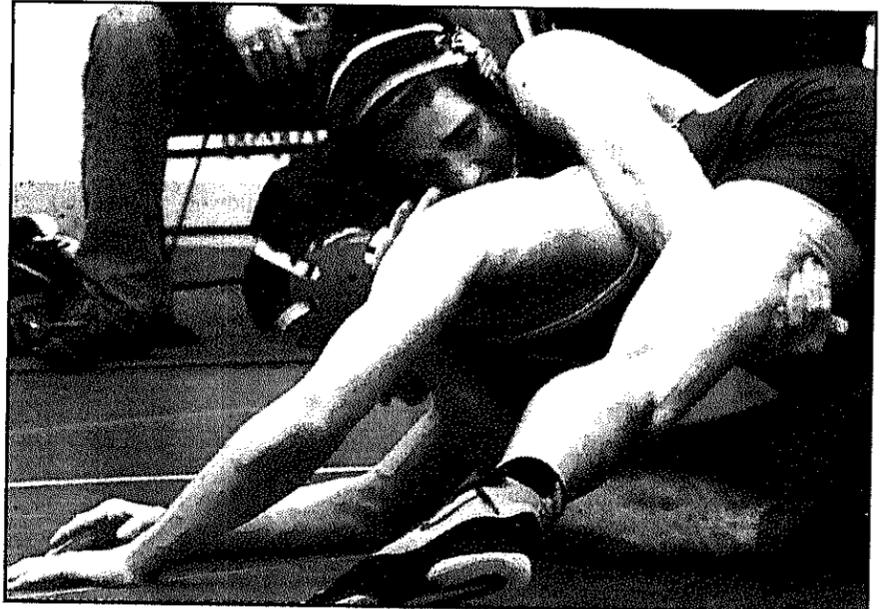
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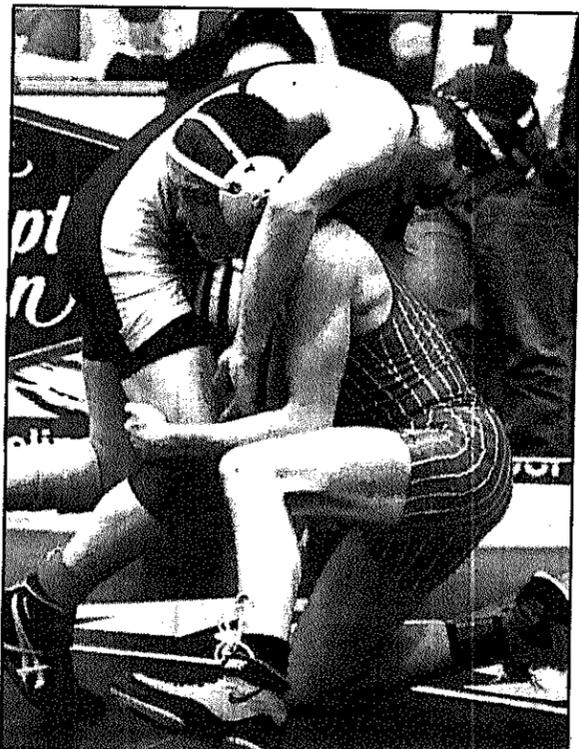
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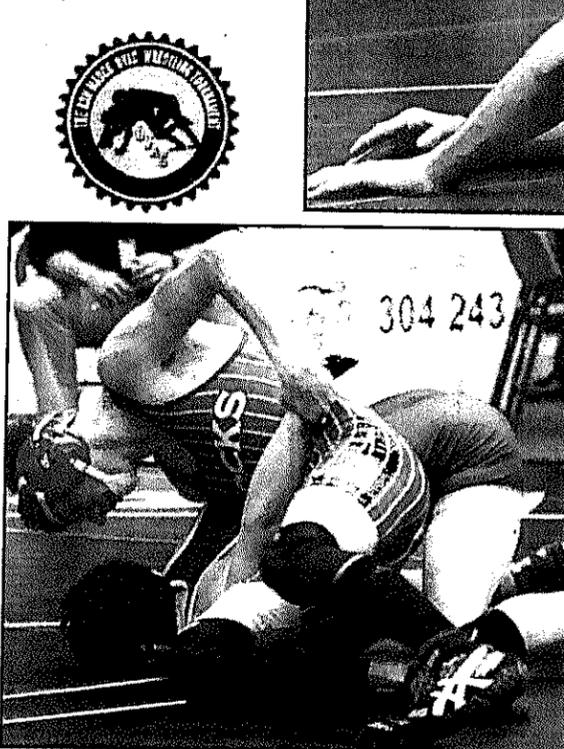
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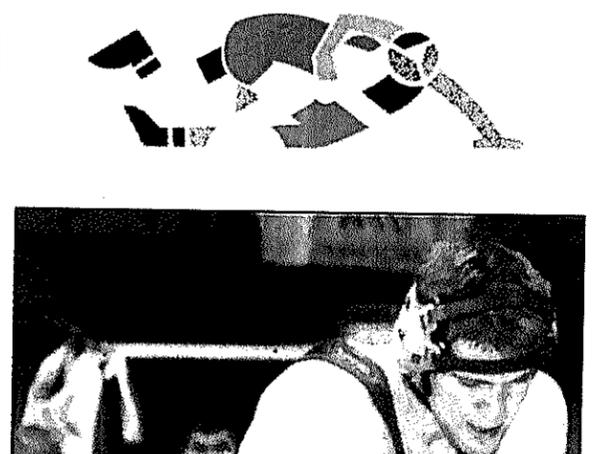
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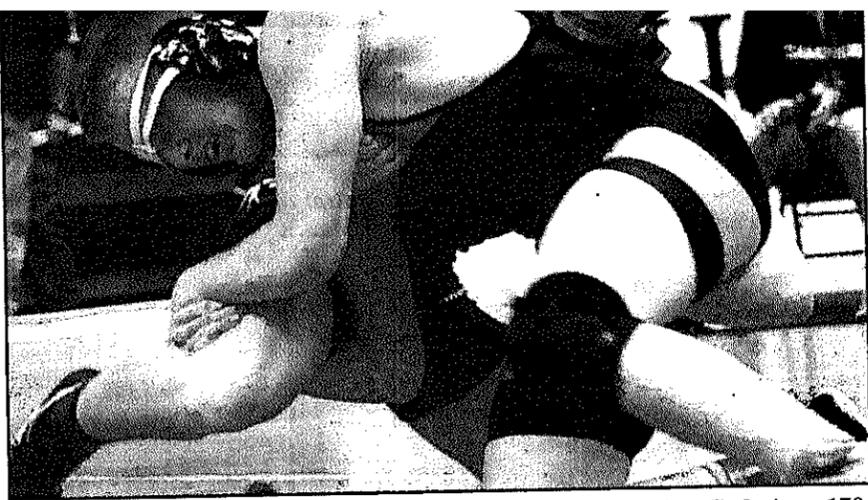


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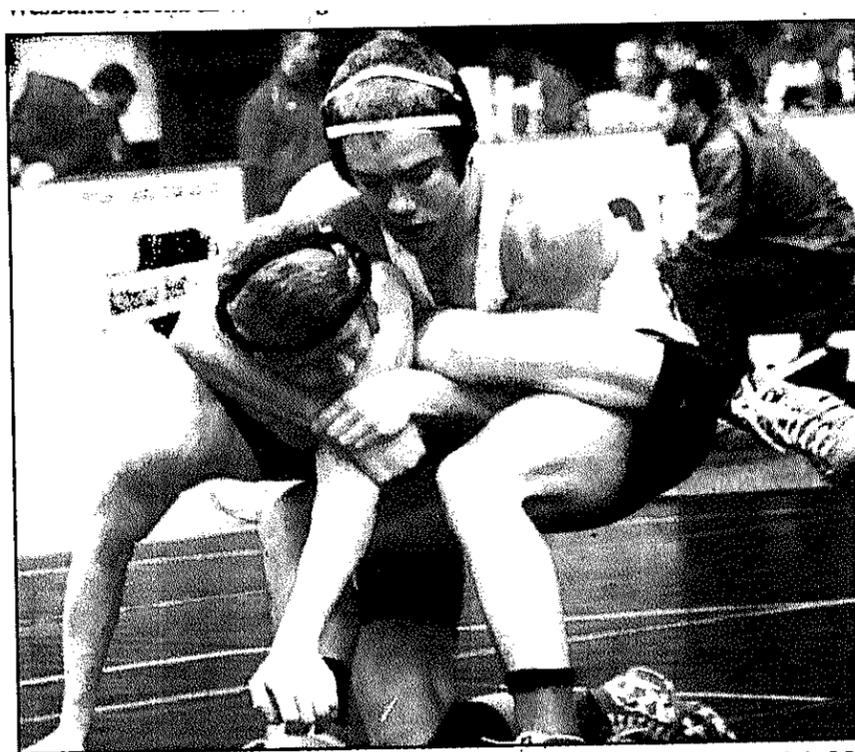


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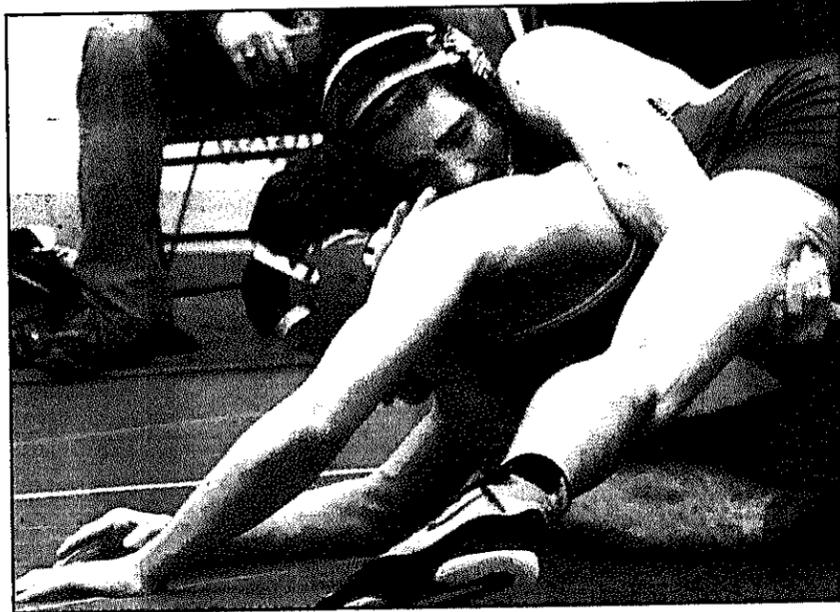
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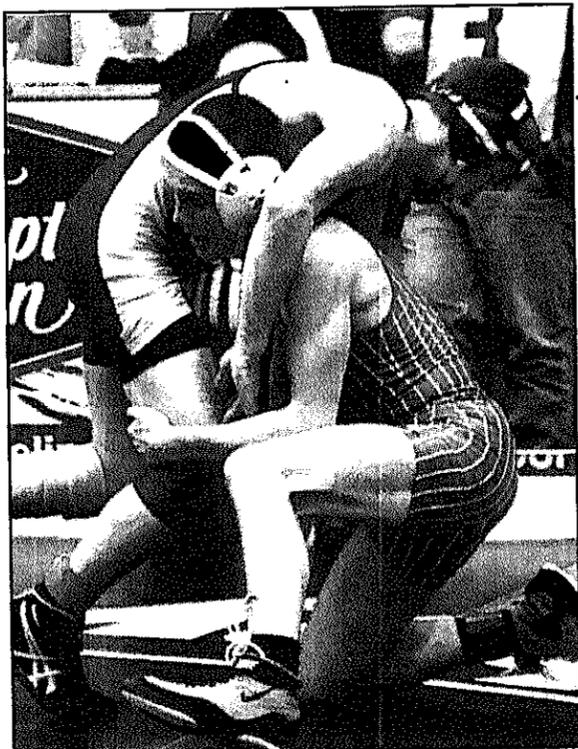
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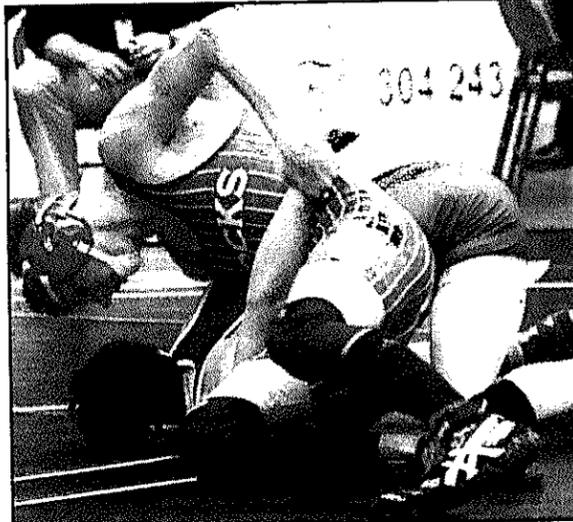
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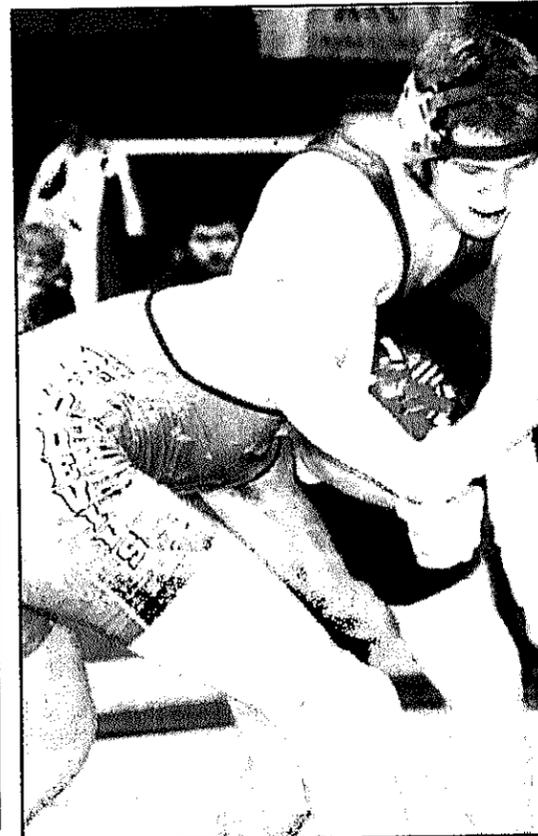
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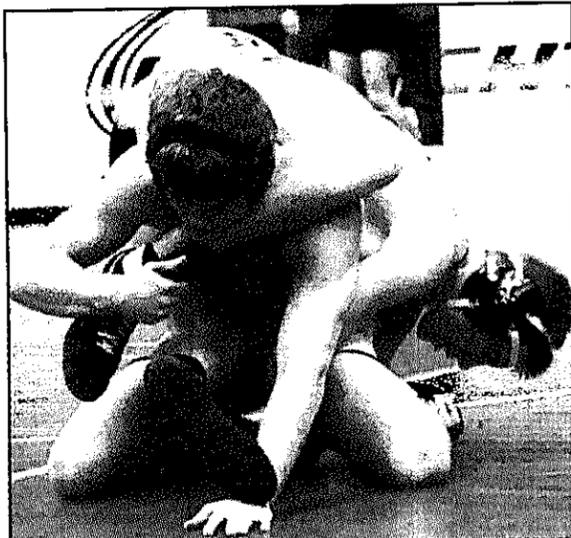
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Shenandoah High's Johnathan Wood tries to get Clairsville's Logan Delong into a headlock during a 152-pound bout at the OVAC Ron Mauck Wrestling Championships at WesBanco Arena in Wheeling.



Caldwell High's Kolby Rayner finds himself in an awkward position against Indian Creek's Mies Mazik in a 138-pound bout at the OVAC Ron Mauck Wrestling Championships at WesBanco Arena in Wheeling.

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Meadowbrook's Jenkins repeats as OVAC champ

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WHEELING, WV — Meadowbrook High senior Tyler Jenkins earned a repeat title to highlight local action in the 62nd OVAC Ron Mauck Wrestling Championships which wrapped up Saturday night at WesBanco Arena.

The top-seeded Jenkins earned a second straight conference crown (he was the 126-pound champion last year) with a narrow 1-0 victory against third-seeded Hunter Pizzino of Harrison Central in the 138-pound championship bout.

The lone point of the match came at the outset of the second period, with Pizzino allowing an escape.

The win gave Jenkins a 5-0 mark in the tournament and was his first in four

tries against Pizzino, who lost for the first time this season.

"He did what he needed to do to get what he came here for," said Meadowbrook coach Jesse Wells of Jenkins' victory. "Hunter is a fine wrestler and for Tyler to get a revenge victory against him was big."

"He's had an unbelievable tournament," Wells continued. "He's a great kid who works so hard and he definitely deserves this."

Jenkins pinned his way to the finals with victories over Clay Davis of Beaver Local (3:11); Hunter Baird of Madonna' (4:21); Taylor Griffin of Barnesville (4:18) and Nick Tice of Oak Glen (3:23).

Jenkins is the first Meadowbrook grappler to win back-to-back titles since Ric Roe back in the

early 1990s.

Earning a runner-up finish at 195 pound was Cambridge's John Mercer.

He dropped a 4-3 decision to top-seeded Tyler Newhart-Koreski of Parkersburg South in the title bout, finishing the weekend with a 4-1 record.

To reach the finals, the second-seeded Mercer scored pins against Patrick McCoy of Weir (1:49), Joel Hatfield of Magnolia (0:55) and Isaiah Myers of Wheeling Park (3:57) and had a 6-1 decision over Tim Albertson of Steubenville. Mercer is now 21-3 on the season.

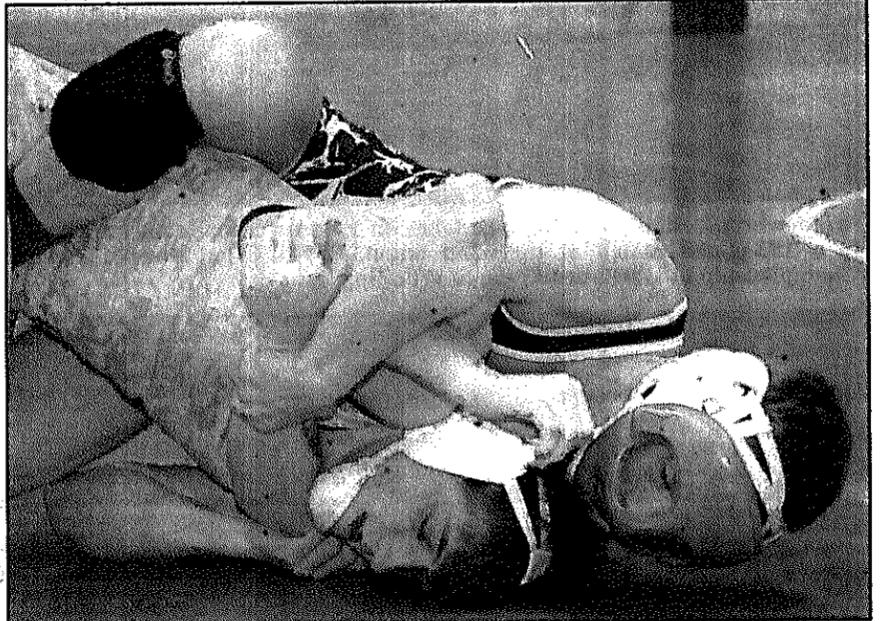
Judd Ramage of Meadowbrook captured third place with a 1-0 decision in the consolation final. He enjoyed a 6-1 mark at the tournament and is now 30-4 on the season.

Meadowbrook's Bailey Jenkins wound up fourth at 138, dropping an 8-5 decision in the consolation final. A runner-up last year, he posted a 4-2 OVAC mark and is now 29-5 on the year.

Barnesville's Hobie Howler was fourth at 160, falling by a 5-0 score in the consolation final. He had a 5-2 mark at the tournament and is 17-3 on the season.

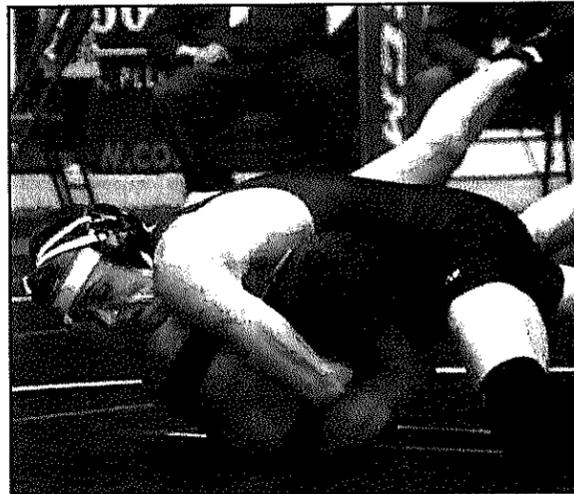
Cambridge's Jake Pershing took seventh at 170, gaining a 58-second pinfall in his final match to complete a 3-2 tournament and boost his overall mark to 16-9.

Kolby Rayner of Caldwell placed fifth at 138. He dropped a 2-0



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Meadowbrook High's Tyler Jenkins is in control against Madonna's Hunter Baird in a 138-pound match at the OVAC Ron Mauck Wrestling Championships at WesBanco Arena in Wheeling.



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Cambridge High's Evan Reed takes on Harrison Central's Dylan Risley in a 126-pound match at the OVAC Ron Mauck Wrestling Championships at WesBanco Arena in Wheeling.

Barnesville's Caide Bunfill placed fourth at 195, falling 8-2 in the consolation final. He went

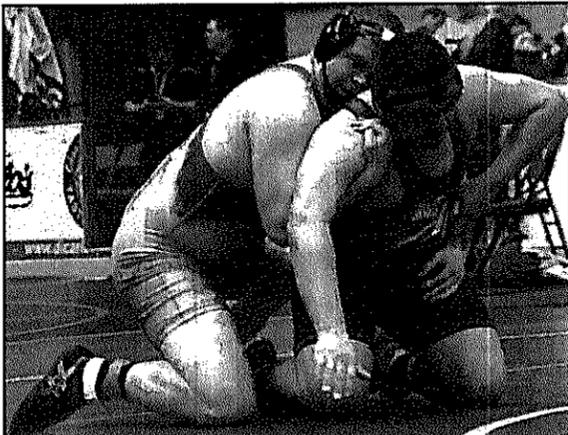
5-2 for the week and is now 26-3 on the year.

Taylor Griffin of Barnesville was eighth at 138, losing a tough 1-0 decision in the consolation final. He had a 2-3 OVAC record and is 15-6 for the season.

Evan Reed of Cambridge placed eighth at 126, suffering a pinfall in 3:40 in his final match. He went 3-3 and has a 19-7 overall mark.

Collin Wilson of Barnesville finished eighth after forfeiting his consolation match at 120. He finished 3-3 for the tournament and is now 14-3 on the season.

Among the local teams, Meadowbrook finished the highest and its fourth place. See OVAC page B-4



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Caldwell High's Chance Rucker works against Monroe Central's Justin Kilburn in a 285-pound bout at the 62nd annual OVAC Ron Mauck Wrestling Championship at WesBanco Arena in Wheeling.

Meadowbrook collects 4th place

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finish in Class 4A was its best finish in many years.

"The team wrestled very well," said Coach Wells. "We had a lot of different goals, with some kids just trying to win a match and others trying to place, and we accomplished a lot this weekend."

The 14 individual champions included Jashon Hubbard of Steubenville (103); Alex Potts of East Liverpool (112); Tariq Wilson of Steubenville (120); Dallas Baciak of Wheeling Park (126); Dakotah Goff of Steubenville (132); Tyler Jenkins of Meadowbrook (138); Daniel Hasson of Beaver Local (145); Ryan Lopez of University (152); Hunter DeLong of Parkersburg South (160); Dylan Alexander of Parkersburg South

(170); Branden Jones of Steubenville (182);

Team-wise, Parkersburg South ran away from the field in the early rounds and coasted to a repeat overall and Class 5A championship. Beaver Local won the Class 4A crown; Linsly prevailed in Class 3A and Shadyside took the Class 1A/2A title.

Steubenville's Wilson earned the Hercules Award for the most pins in the least amount of time (five pins in 6:34) among the champions.

The champions from 1990 were recognized on the 25th anniversary of their accomplishment and included in that group was Meadowbrook's Eric Wickham, the 171-pound titlist.

The top award of the weekend, the coveted Mr. Mat Award, was presented to Gene Monteleone of

Wheeling Park.

Other award recipients included the Sid Stolz Award to Rick Link, the former Union Local coach; the Directors Award to Jim Rogers of Cameron; the Larry Deaton Officials Award to Paul Coffland of Cadiz; the Varsity Assistant Coach of the Year Award to Todd Dunlap of Harrison Central; the Junior High Coach of the Year Award to Jesse Hubbard of Harding Middle School; and special program recognition for their medical assistance with the tournament over the years went to Todd Fullerton, Dr. Mike Kovalick and Dr. E. Fritz Braunlich.

(Editor's note: The 220-pound and 285-pound matches had not been completed as of press time. For those results and the complete team scoring, see The Monday Jeffersonian).

OVAC Wrestling Results

Championship Bouts

- 106 - Jashon Hubbard (Steubenville) pinned Luke Martin (Parkersburg South), 2:56.
- 113 - Alex Potts (East Liverpool) dec. Jackson Henson (University), 4-2.
- 120 - Tariq Wilson (Steubenville) pinned Rod Richter (Monroe Central), 2:54.
- 126 - Dallas Baciak (Wheeling Park) pinned Robert Daley (Edison), 3:06.
- 132 - Dakotah Goff (Steubenville) dec. Jason Keyes (Beaver Local), 4-1.
- 138 - Tyler Jenkins (Meadowbrook) dec. Hunter Pizzino (Harrison Central), 1-0.
- 145 - Daniel Hasson (Beaver Local) dec. Dylan Taylor (Wheeling Park), 10-6.
- 152 - Ryan Lopez (University) dec. Brett Kahl (Shadyside), 5-2.
- 160 - Hunter DeLong (Parkersburg South) pinned Dillon Shaw (Madonna), 2:38.
- 170 - Dylan Alexander (Parkersburg South) dec. Matt McFarland (Union Local), 13-2.
- 182 - Branden Jones (Steubenville) dec. Justin Allman (Parkersburg South), 8-6 (OT)
- 195 - Tyler Newhart-Koreski (Parkersburg South) dec. John Mercer (Cambridge), 4-2.

NOTE: See The Monday Jeffersonian for the 220-pound and 285-pound championship matches and the final team scores.