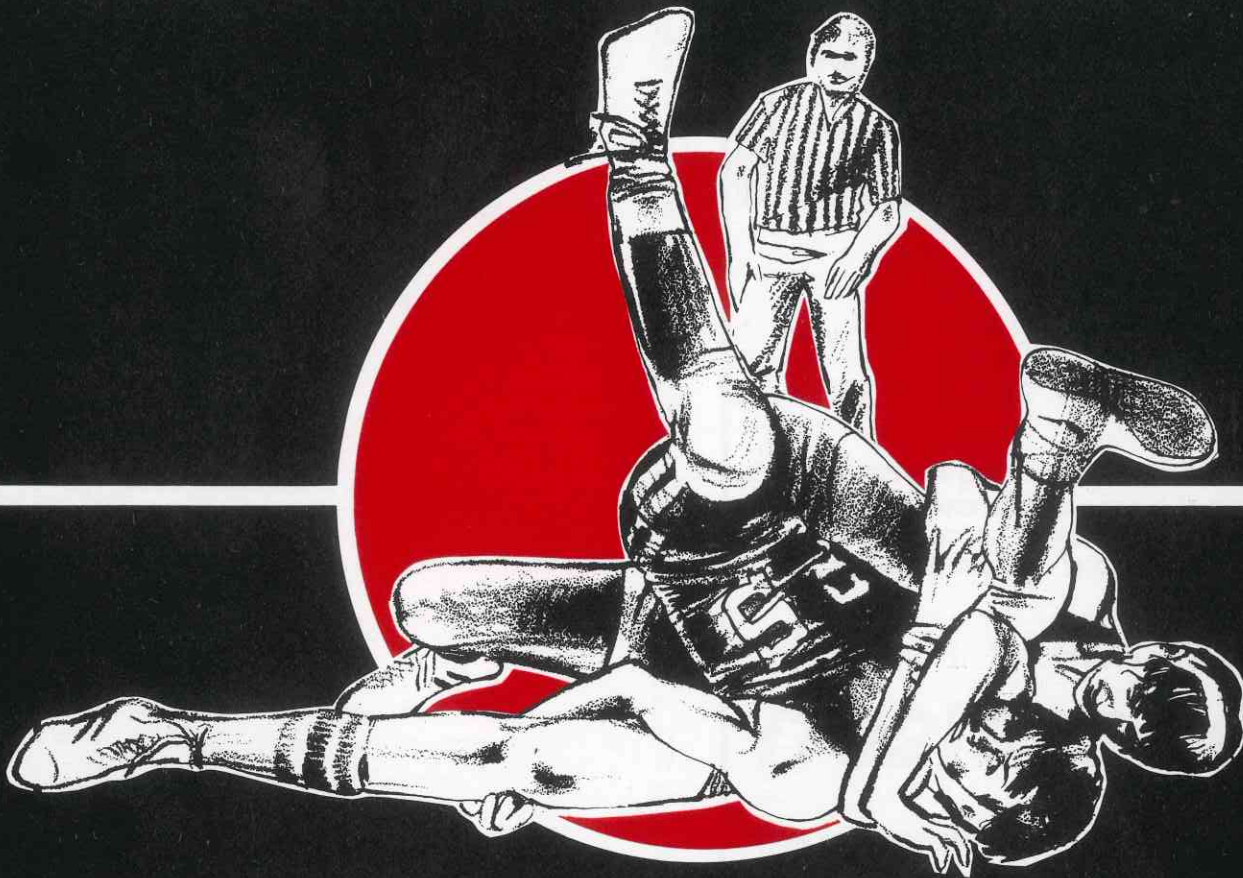


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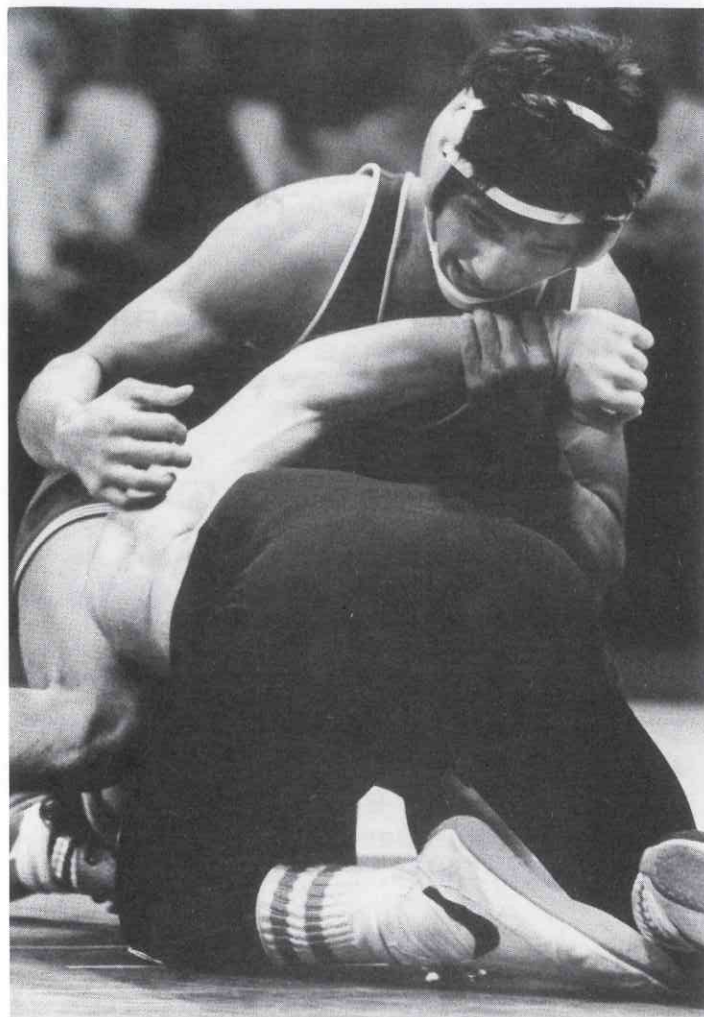


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Caesars Palace has done it again!

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"This will give us a chance to prove ourselves against major college competition," said UNLV head coach Mark Churella. "The teams that we have coming in here are strong. This, outside of the NCAA Tournament, is probably one of the toughest fields of any tournament in the country."

The tournament will be broadcast on a national basis by the Entertainment and Sports Programming Network (ESPN).

UNLV is one of six Pacific Coast Athletic Association teams in the tournament. So, with all of the conference schools that wrestle at the tournament, this could also serve as a pre-season PCAA tournament. Last season, San Jose State won the PCAA, and this season, they will be trying to hold back challenges from UNLV, Utah State, Cal State Long Beach, Cal State Fullerton and Fresno State.

"Having the PCAA schools at our tournament could be somewhat of a testing ground to see who we have in our conference this season," added Churella, who last season finished third in the PCAA.

The Rebels will be looking to improve a 2-9 record last season. But last year's problems have all been taken care of and Churella is hoping that he can field a strong team at the Invitational as well as other tournaments and dual meets. A problem of last season's was filling all of the weight classes. There were some matches where UNLV would have to forfeit up to three weight classes and that would put them in an early 18-0 deficit. But recruiting and wrestlers coming off of redshirt years will handle that problem so Churella looks forward to the season ahead.

Other teams that will be competing for the Caesars Palace title will be Arizona State, which beat UNLV last season, Cal State Bakersfield and Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, Louisiana State, Minnesota, Oregon, Oregon State and Stanford. Overall there are 32 teams in the tournament.

So, for this tournament, it looks like a champion will crown another champion!

CAESARS PALACE COLLEGIATE WRESTLING INVITATIONAL TIMETABLE

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1982

2:00 P.M.	Weigh-Ins for dual meet (Big-8 vs. Pac-10 duals) (UNLV double dual vs. Biola and LaVerne)
4:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.	Weigh-Ins for Caesars Palace Invitational
6:00 P.M.	UNLV Double-Dual vs. Biola and LaVerne
8:00 P.M.	Big Eight vs. Pac-10 Duals

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1982

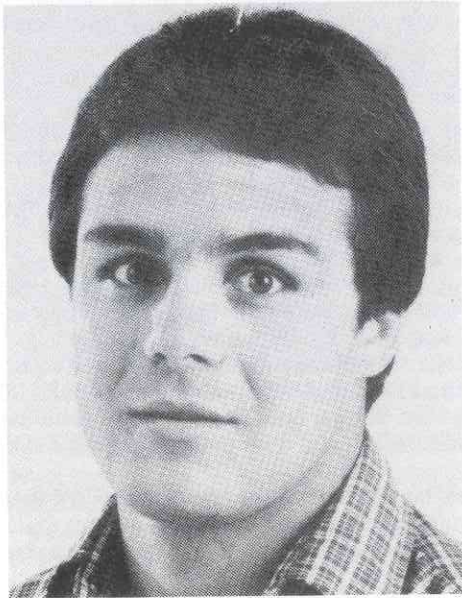
10:00 A.M.	Round Five (Semi-Final Round and Consolation Round)
1:00 P.M.	Round Six (Consolation Finals - third, fourth, fifth and sixth place)
7:00 P.M.	Final Round

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1982

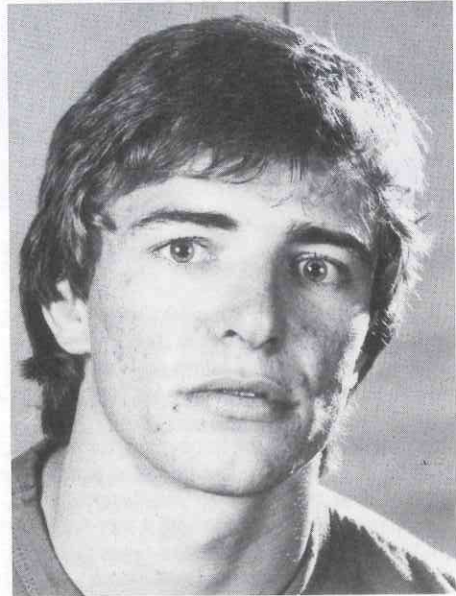
10:00 A.M.	Round One of the Caesars Palace Invitational
2:00 P.M.	Round Two
7:00 P.M.	Round Three (Quarterfinal Round)
8:00 P.M.	Round Four (Consolation Round)

NOTE - There will be awards after each weight class

UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, LAS VEGAS "REBELS"



MARK CHURELLA
UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, LAS VEGAS



KEVIN HUBER
UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, LAS VEGAS

You can call it experience. Or you can call it youth. Or you can even call it lack of college competition. But, please don't write off the 1982-83 UNLV Rebel wrestling team.

The Rebels, as witnessed in the Nov. 10 Intra-Squad Meet, are full of young talent. And, as young teams are known as being inadequate sometimes, UNLV might just have one of the best teams in its history. Among the newcomers to this year's team is sophomore Louie Chiapparelli.

Chiapparelli, a transfer from the University of Wisconsin, became unhappy at the Madison campus and went looking for other schools to attend. Then former Wisconsin All-America wrestler Pat Christenson, a UNLV assistant coach, contacted the high school all-America and Chiapparelli found his way to the UNLV campus. Chiapparelli is a three-time Maryland State champion with a record of 115-3. That's right, just three losses. He was also a U.S.W.F. Champion.

Two other newcomers will find starting spots on this season's UNLV wrestling team. Kahlan O'Hara, who last season was a redshirt at UNLV, will be the starter at heavyweight. Wrestling fans in Las Vegas will remember O'Hara from his days of pinning opponents for the Chaparral High School wrestling team. O'Hara transferred to UNLV from Nebraska. He was 52-0 in his senior season at Chaparral.

Darin Borden will be looked at to start at either 177 or 190. He has been sidelined with an injury during the early practices but he should come around when the season gets into full swing. Borden, a freshman, was 71-7 in three seasons at Bethel High School in Graham, Washington.

Also fighting for a position at 177 or 190 will be Mike Calvin, a freshman from Temperance, Michigan. He was 88-40 in two seasons. He was a

Michigan State champion in his senior season.

But, don't let this story fool you. There are a big share of the vets remaining from last year's squad. They include Gordon Washington, who, as a freshman, was 18-18-1 last season. Washington is from Eldorado High School in Las Vegas and adds some local flavor to the squad. Another returnee from last season is senior Kevin Huber. A 142 pounder, Huber was 15-11-1 last season and finished third in the PCAA Tournament. He is one of three seniors in the UNLV squad this season. The others are Patrick Souris and Roger DeSart, both who redshirted last season.

Souris finished second in the NCAA Western Regionals two seasons ago, while DeSart is a two-time NCAA championship participant. DeSart looks to be a shoe-in at 118 while Souris is fighting Huber for the starting spot at 142. DeSart should shatter all UNLV individual career records this season.

Two more Rebels that may have to fight for their top spots are 126-pounder Ray Gulmatico and 118-pounder Chuck Curwick. Gulmatico finished third at the PCAA Tournament last season while Curwick was a redshirt last year. Curwick lost to DeSart in the intra-squad scrimmage by a score of 1-1, 6-3 in overtime. Gulmatico was scheduled to go against DeSart for the top spot in the 126 weight class but DeSart has since dropped to 118 and Gulmatico has developed a big sigh of relief.

The schedule this season should be one of the toughest in UNLV history highlighted by the first annual Caesars Palace Invitational. Thirty-three of the nation's top teams will be at the tournament and it is sure to test UNLV's youth in the strong competitive national wrestling scene.

The Rebels also have dual matches with the likes of Michigan, Ohio State, Michigan State, Cal State-Bakersfield, Brigham Young and Arizona State. All in all, youth could prevail but that wouldn't be for the first time!

The University of Nevada, Las Vegas is a growing institution of higher learning. In less than ten years, UNLV has tripled its campus size, allowing room for the university's 63 different degree programs available to students, including over two dozen at the master's and doctoral levels.

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To accommodate the increasing enrollment, UNLV has undertaken a massive construction program which has brought millions of dollars worth of new buildings to the campus in the past decade.

LOCATION - Las Vegas, Nevada

ENROLLMENT - 11,000 (Est)

NICKNAME - Rebels

COLORS - Scarlet and Gray

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - Dr. Brad Rothermel

CONFERENCE - PCAA

SPORTS INFORMATION - Charles Bloom

WRESTLING COACH - Mark Churella

ASSISTANT COACHES - Pat Christenson, Bill Rosado, Mike Abrams,
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ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY "SUN DEVILS"



BOBBY DOUGLAS
ASU WRESTLING COACH



GARY BOHAY
ARIZONA STATE

Arizona State University of the Pacific-10 Conference will be one of the strongest teams in the Caesars Palace Invitational.

The Sun Devils, 10-7 last season, return six starters off of a team that finished third in the Pac-10 and finished in a tie for 31st in the NCAA Division I championships.

The 'Devils are coached by veteran Bobby Douglas, who begins his ninth season as head coach. Through eight years, he has an overall record of 94-26-1. He is assisted by former ASU wrestler Dan Severn.

Arizona State's top returnee is sophomore Adam Cohen. Cohen, a 142-pounder, was 19-16-1 in his first collegiate season last year. He finished second in the Pac-10 tournament and finished second in the Hall of Fame Open, held in Tempe. Another top returnee for Arizona State is junior Tom Riley. Riley, a 126 pounder, was 20-4 last season and has a two-year career record of 33-9 at ASU. He finished first in the Hall of Fame Open and he finished second in the Biola Invitational.

Mike Severn, the brother of assistant coach Dan Severn, returns for his third season at heavyweight. He was 18-11 last season and through two years, he has a mark of 30-21. He finished second in the Pac-10 Tournament and also had second place finishes at the Biola Invitational as well as the Hall of Fame Open.

Gary Bohay is another returner for Arizona State. He comes off of a redshirt season and finished with a 27-2-1 record two seasons ago. Bohay, a 126 pounder, is a senior.

The Sun Devils recruited two top junior college prospects that could help in leading Arizona State to a Pac-10 championship title. Eddie Urbano will be a junior this season. He transfers in from Pima College, where, at 150, he was the National Junior College Athletic Association champion. Freddie King, who will also be a junior this season, was third in the NJCAA meet while wrestling for Phoenix College. He is a 126-pounder.

Among the four starters that were lost to Arizona State due to graduation is 158 pounder Jackson Kistler. Kistler finished seventh in the NCAA Division I championships and had first place finishes in the Pac-10 championships, Biola Invitational, Hall of Fame Open and finished second in the Sun Devil Invitational.

Last season, the Sun Devils faced both Oklahoma and Oklahoma State, which will be at the Caesars Palace Invitational. Arizona State lost to both with Oklahoma being the closest, 33-18. The Cowboys pummeled the Sun Devils 42-5 in Stillwater.

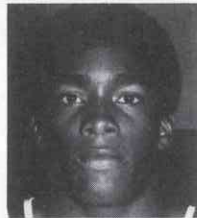
So, one can say that Arizona State has a tested team and they sure know about the competition in the Caesars Palace Invitational. That might help them prepare for the tournament, but one doesn't know how they will do until the matches are over.

LOCATION - Tempe, Arizona
ENROLLMENT - 38,590
NICKNAME - Sun Devils

COLORS - Maroon and Gold
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - Richard Tamburo
CONFERENCE - Pacific-10

SPORTS INFORMATION - Greg Harney
WRESTLING COACH - Bobby Douglass
ASSISTANT COACH - Dan Severn

ASHLAND COLLEGE "EAGLES"



MARK BLACK
ASHLAND COLLEGE

Coming off a fifth place NCAA Division II finish a year ago, the Ashland College wrestling team under coach Mark Osgood hopes to continue a gradual climb towards the top spot.

Although he's working with his youngest group ever at Ashland, Osgood is counting on a strong schedule and vigorous conditioning to propell the Eagles a step higher.

"This is our most difficult schedule ever," notes the fourth-year mat boss. "I'd put our schedule up against any other Division II school in the midwest."

"We're starting out a little bit earlier this year but I think that will help us determine what improvements we need to make."

Division I opponents Pittsburgh, Kent State, Indiana, Ohio State, Northwestern and Lock Haven State should provide a good test for Osgood's group.

Perhaps the biggest highlight of the regular season slate is a trip to the Caesars Palace Invitational in Las Vegas, Nevada. The top five national finishers in each division last year have been invited along with some other teams in what Osgood thinks will be "one of the most prestigious tournaments in the United States." In its first year, the invitational has already acquired the help of the ESPN sports cable network to cover the event.

"Basically the invitational will help prove who the top wrestlers are nationally at that point of the regular season," says Osgood.

"It's a big shot in the arm for our program and we're honored to have been asked to take part in it."

Osgood has driven the Eagles to 14th, sixth and fifth place showings in the nationals during his tenure at Ashland. He loses national champion Jeff Esmont at 190 but returns two All-Americans he plans to mole the unit around.

Mark Black wrestled to third place in last year's nationals, earning his second All-America honor at 150. The senior co-captain is joined by three-time All-America Reggie Johnson at 118 as Osgood's two top five national performers back from the 1982 squad. Johnson is gunning for a fourth All-America year, something that hasn't been done at Ashland.

Sophomore Gary Sinko will open at 118 with Johnson having one semester left of eligibility. Sinko should push Johnson for the position once the senior All-America returns to regular practices.

National qualifier Dave Morell is penciled in on Osgood's starting 10 at 126-pounds. A two-year letterman, Morell put together a 20-8 record last season and just missed a top national finish.

Taking a step down in weight class is Todd Winter, now positioned at 134. Winter qualified for nationals and vacates the 142-pound class that junior Jack Leonti inherits.

Following Black at 150 is sophomore John Sturm, wrestling the 158 class. Like Sinko, this is Sturm's first true run at Division II competition but he brings a lot of potential to the mats that should make up for his inexperience.

Jay Billy, one of Osgood's most determined athletes, was another near miss at the nationals one year ago. The club's other co-captain holds down the 167-pound spot.

After qualifying for nationals in his first year, sophomore Jim Zachar brings a 16-7 record into his sophomore season at 177. One step up from Zachar is 190-pounder Gary Weisenstein. The Eagle senior had the misfortune of wrestling behind national champion Jeff Esmont. Now that Esmont has graduated, Weisenstein gets a shot. Scott Frieschlag rounds out the probable starting lineup following a 16-6 effort in 1982 at heavyweight.

LOCATION - Ashland, Ohio
ENROLLMENT - 1,300
NICKNAME - Eagles

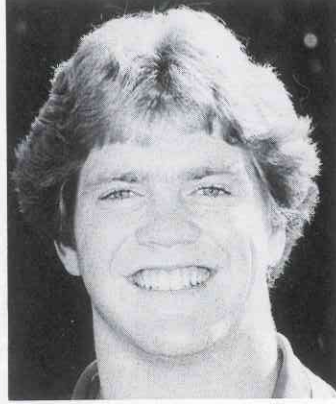
COLORS - Purple and Gold
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - Dr. Fred Martinelli
CONFERENCE - NCAA Division II

SPORTS INFORMATION - Pete Moore
WRESTLING COACH - Mark Osgood
ASSISTANT COACH - Brian Parise

BIOLA UNIVERSITY "EAGLES"



MATT ORR - BIOLA COACH
11TH YEAR, 105-91-3
CAREER RECORD



TOM MIKALSON - BIOLA STATE
TOP 1981-82
PROSPECT

Biola University might just be the little guy in the land of giant fellows at the Caesars Palace Invitational this season.

Biola is a NAIA Independent. In other words, a school of only 3200 students will be competing with the likes of Oklahoma, Oklahoma State and North Carolina, which have student populations of somewhere around 25,000. But, the Eagles are fighters and they will take every chance they can to win every match at this tournament.

Biola is also small in the size of their wrestling team. They are not blessed with the big individuals that would grace the mat at big schools.

The Eagles return five starters from last season's 6-12-1 team. The leading returnee is 126-pounder Greg Atkinson, who was 15-15 last season. He finished first in the Cal Tech tournament and was third in the National Christian College Athletic Association tournament, held at Biola. Atkinson, a freshman last season, was named the team's MVP. Also returning is 118-pounder Perry Watson, who was 10-13-0 last season. A senior, he was first at Cal Tech and third in the NCCAA. Tom Mikalson, a 177-pounder, was 13-6 last season as a junior and finished first at Cal Tech and fourth at the prestigious Mumby Tournament at San Jose State. He also finished first in the Biola Invitational and fourth in the NCCAA.

Dave Beyer, a heavyweight, also returns. He was 7-20 last season and finished second at Cal Tech. He was named the team's most improved wrestler on last season's squad.

The Eagles have two new recruits that are coming in that could figure prominently into their chances of improving on their record of last season's. Adrian Rodriguez, a 118-pounder, finished fifth in California as a senior and placed second in the CIF Tournament. John Nichols, a 134 pounder, was the Empire League champion as a senior at Kennedy High School in Buena Park, CA.

The Eagles lost five starters from last year's squad. Included in those are NCCAA national champion Randy Robert, at 167, Fritz Polk, who had a 11-14-1 record last season at 142, Kurt Paluszcyk, who at 190 had a career record of 43-44-0 at Biola, and Chris Putnam, who was 22-37 overall at 158.

The Eagles are coached by Matt Orr, who begins his 11th season at Biola. Through 10 years, he has an overall record of 105-91-3 at Biola.

Overall, the Eagles will be small and they might not figure in the top ten teams in the Caesars Palace Invitational, but they could play the role of the "spoiler" and knock off a couple of the big guys!

LOCATION - LaMirada, California
ENROLLMENT - 3,200
NICKNAME - Eagles

COLORS - Red and White
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - Charlie Sarver
CONFERENCE - NAIA, NCCAA

SPORTS INFORMATION - Steve Schwepker
WRESTLING COACH - Matt Orr
ASSISTANT COACH - Fritz Polk

BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY "BRONCOS"



MIKE YOUNG - COACH - BOISE STATE



SCOTT BARRETT (RUNNER-UP AT NCAA DIVISION I WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIPS IN 1982) (126) (3-TIME BIG SKY CHAMPION)

The Boise State wrestling team is one team that sure has been decimated due to last year's graduation. The Broncos, of the Big Sky Conference, lost seven of its' ten starters to graduation.

But, one starter graduation didn't get was senior Scott Barrett, who will be counted on this season to lead the Broncos to another Big Sky Conference championship. Last season, the Broncos won the Big Sky. But, also Barrett was the Big Sky champion for the third season in a row and finished second in the NCAA Division I championships, at 126. This season, at 134, Barrett, will be counted on to do the same. He finished last year with a 28-4 record. Another top returnee is John Bauman, who last season had a 8-7 record. A 190-pounder, he is a junior.

To try and fill the void of seven starters that are gone, is a recruiting class filled with three potential first-year starters.

James Adams, a 190-pounder, was the Idaho State champion. Doug McCauley, a 142-pounder, is an Oregon State High School champion and Jon Wattenburger, a 158 pounder, was an Oklahoma State finalist.

The Broncos finished last season with a 2-5 dual record. Among their tournament finishes, they won their own invitational, they finished sixth in the Western Open, that was held in Las Vegas, they finished fifth in the MIWA tournament and they finished fifth in the Beehive Tournament held at Utah State.

Boise State is coached by Mike Young, who is beginning his twelfth season as the Broncos head coach. His overall record is 85-25.

The Broncos will be young and untested but for 134 pounders competing in this tournament, they will have to look out for Scott Barrett as he goes after an NCAA championship.

LOCATION - Boise, Idaho
ENROLLMENT - 11,600
NICKNAME - Broncos

COLORS - Blue and Orange
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - Gene Bleymaier
CONFERENCE - Big Sky

SPORTS INFORMATION - Perry Byrne
WRESTLING COACH - Mike Young

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CAL POLY, SAN LOUIS OBISPO "MUSTANGS"



**VAUGHAN HITCHCOCK - CAL POLY SLO
WRESTLING COACH**



**LOUIE MONTANO - CAL POLY SLO
WRESTLING (158)
ALL AMERICA (8th 1982)**

California Poly, San Luis Obispo returns six starters off of last seasons' team that went 19-5 and finished 24 in the NCAA Tournament. The Mustangs fielded a strong team last season, under head coach Vaughan Hitchcock, who returns for his twentieth season at CPSLO.

Among the top returnees for the Mustangs are Al Gutierrez, a 118 pounder, Jeff Barksdale, a 142 pounder, Pat O'Donnell, a 150 pounder, Louie Montano, a 158 pounder, Josh Washington, a heavyweight and Sean Shea, a 134 pounder.

Gutierrez was 24-10 as a junior, Barksdale, a senior, was just 9-7 last season but holds a career record of 46-24-1. O'Donnell, who is also a senior, was 12-17 last season. Montano, who is also a senior, was 27-5 last season and also was an All-America as he finished eighth in the NCAA Tournament. Washington was 28-9-2 as a junior last season and Shea was 14-10-1 as a sophomore last season.

Hitchcock also brought in five top recruits for this season. Brian Acquafresca was a California Prep Champion last season from Exeter High School. A freshman, he will wrestle at 167. Roger Sayles was a National Junior College champion at Mount Hood JC. A junior, he will wrestle at 177.

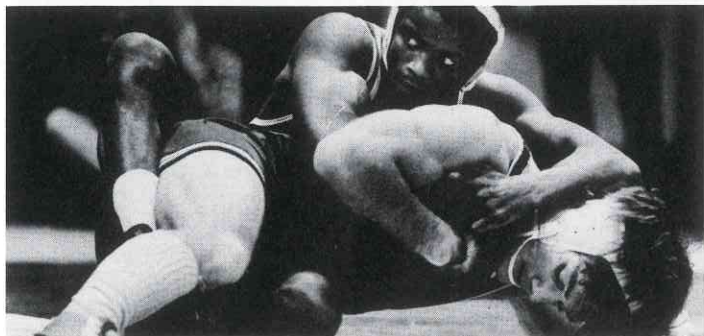
Jeff Chedester was a California State Junior College Champion at College of the Sequoias. A junior, he will wrestle at 126. David Lanham was a California State champion at Westgate High School. A freshman, he will wrestle at 190. And Dan Thomas was also a California State High School champion at Placentia HS at 126.

CPSLO returns six starters from last year's squad which is good news for Hitchcock. In his twenty seasons as head coach of the Mustangs, he has built a 323-80-4 record.

This should be another strong season for the Mustangs as they continue to get big recognition for their wrestling program.

LOCATION - San Luis Obispo, California
ENROLLMENT - 16,200
NICKNAME - Mustangs
COLORS - Green and Gold
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - Dick Heaton
CONFERENCE - CCAA
SPORTS INFORMATION - Steve Rutledge
WRESTLING COACH - Vaughan Hitchcock

CAL-STATE BAKERSFIELD "ROADRUNNERS"



KARL GLOVER - CAL STATE BAKERSFIELD

As a Division II school, Cal State Bakersfield might find it a little hard to gain respect in the Caesars Palace Invitational, which has drawn five of the top seven teams in the country. But don't feel bad for the Roadrunners, they can stand their ground against those big schools anyway.

The school of only 3475 students won the NCAA Division II title last season and for good measure, they finished an unofficial sixth in the Division I race. And, they return five starters from that team plus a host of top recruits. But, just what can they do to improve on last season's mark!

Among the top returnees for CSB include Adam Cuestas and Mark Loomis, who were individual champions in the NCAA Division II Championships. Cuestas, whose brother Dan Cuestas graduated with two national titles, was an amazing 46-3 last season. He has only lost nine times in 91 matches in three seasons at Cal-State Bakersfield. Loomis, who holds the CSB record for

most pins over two seasons, was 30-12 last season and holds a career mark of 58-23. Both will be seniors this season.

Senior Karl Glover, who wrestled behind Dan Cuestas last season, will start at 126 but will be pushed by two freshman recruits. The Roadrunners signed Mel East, the California State champ in 1980, and John Loomis, brother of Mark Loomis, in the 126 pound weight class. Glover was 26-4 last season while East was runner-up in California last season. Loomis was a three-time California State place-winner with finishing third his highest place.

Craig Noble and Scott Teuscher will out the returning starters. Noble, a senior who wrestles at 158, finished last season at 32-11. Teuscher, also a senior, returns from a fine season last year when he was 32-12. Teuscher finished sixth in the Division II championships.

Other than East and Loomis, CSB head coach Joe Seay signed three other top recruits. Bob Button will be a senior this season. He was a three-time New York state place-winner and finished as high as second in 1979. He will wrestle at 177. Craig Broderick comes to CSB from Rio Hondo Junior College in California where he placed third in the state junior college meet. Broderick will be a junior and a heavyweight. Mike Blaske will be a junior coming from Bismark Junior College. He was the 1982 National Junior College champion and will wrestle at 190.

Seay will be in his 10th season as mentor of the Roadrunners. During his campaign at Bakersfield, he is 159-43-2 with an overall coaching record of 276-56-5 over 21 seasons. He will be assisted by Fred Bohna, Joe Gonzales and John Azevedo.

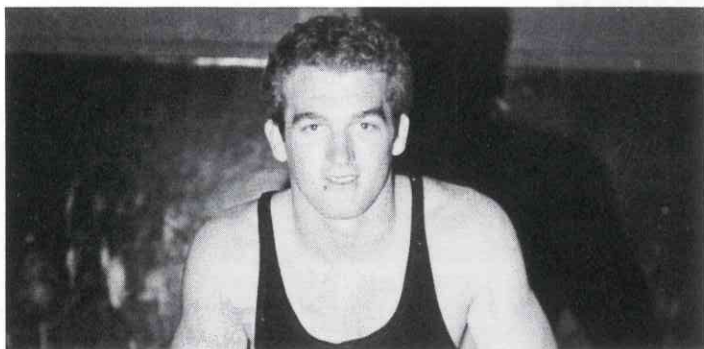
This season should be a very telling one for Seay. And, who knows, the winner of this year's Caesars Palace Invitational just could be one of those smaller guys!

LOCATION - Bakersfield, California
ENROLLMENT - 3,200
NICKNAME - Roadrunners

COLORS - Royal Blue and Gold
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - Rudy Carvajal
CONFERENCE - NCAA Division II

SPORTS INFORMATION - Joni Jones
WRESTLING COACH - Joe Seay
ASSISTANT COACHES - Fred Bohna, Joe Gonzales, John Azevedo

CAL STATE FULLERTON "TITANS"



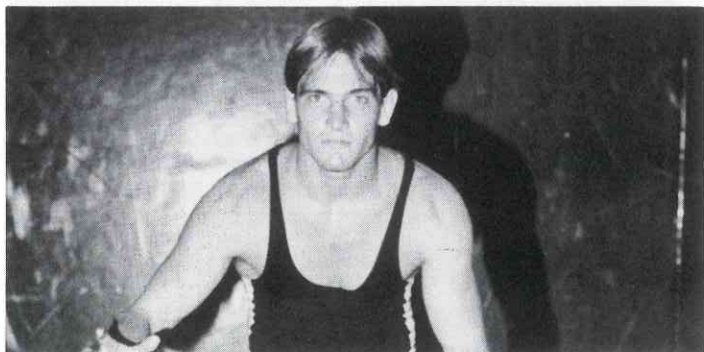
CHRIS McINTOSH - CAL STATE FULLERTON

Dan Lewis begins his first season as coach of the Titans of Cal State-Fullerton in an attempt to change the fortunes of that school's wrestling program. It might be a tough road, but the former Louisiana State University assistant coach is ready for it.

The Titans were 4-8 in dual matches last season and finished fifth in the Pacific Coast Athletic Association tournament. They only return one starter of that team - Sophomore 177 pounder Chris McIntosh, who was fifth in the PCAA last season.

Lewis signed three newcomers in an attempt to bring a new light to the program. Scott Lawson, a freshman 158 pounder, was a California state champion; Mike Schmidlin, a senior 150-pounder, is a transfer from Phoenix College and Louie Mecado, a sophomore 126 pounder.

All in all, Lewis is in the right step to beginning a good wrestling program at Cal State-Fullerton.



MIKE SCHMIDLIN - CAL STATE FULLERTON

LOCATION - Fullerton, California
ENROLLMENT - 22,500
NICKNAME - Titans
COLORS - Blue, Orange and White
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - Lynn Eilefson
CONFERENCE - PCAA
SPORTS INFORMATION - Mel Franks
WRESTLING COACH - Dan Lewis

FRESNO STATE "BULLDOGS"



DENNIS DeLIDDO
FRESNO STATE



KEVIN CARRERA
FRESNO STATE

When Dennis DeLiddo took over the head coaching job of the Fresno State wrestling team, he really didn't know what to expect. The successful college coach entered his first season at FSU and his team struggled to a 5-12 dual record. But, this season could be an entirely different story.

DeLiddo has all of his starters returning plus four top recruits and the Bulldogs could be challenging San Jose State's reign of the Pacific Coast Athletic Association. Two of those top recruits were being looked at by the coaches of UNLV. Sylvester Carver and Phil Dunford were the target of UNLV coaches Mark Churellm and Pat Christenson. But, both opted for FSU and DeLiddo couldn't be happier!

Carver was a California Junior College champion last season for Chabot JC. As a freshmen, he was the runner-up to that title. Overall, in his two

seasons at Chabot, he was 48-3-1. He won the Far Western Free-Style Tournament. Dunford was also the California State JC champion at Cerritos JC. In 1981, he was seventh. His overall record at Cerritos was 40-2. Carver will be a 167 pounder and Dunford will wrestle at 177.

Two other top recruits snagged by FSU are Gene Alison, a 158 pounder, and John Vega, a 134 pounder. Alison is a California State JC champion from College of the Sequoias. Two seasons ago, he finished fifth and as a prep star in Ohio, he was the state champion. In his two seasons of JC competition, he was 36-3. Vega is also a California State JC champ. He was undefeated in 41 matches in high school.

Among the 10 returning starters for Fresno are Tom Harautuneian and Malcolm Scott. Harautuneian finished second in the PCAA Tournament and had a season mark of 8-8-1. He also finished second in the San Francisco State Tournament. Scott also finished second in the PCAA Tournament last season. He was 15-15 in matches last year.

Abric Liley and Jim O'Brien also return for Fresno State. Liley, a freshman last season, finished fourth in the PCAA Tournament and had a season mark of 21-15. He also finished second in the Chico Tournament and finished third in the San Francisco State Tournament. He is a 118 pounder. O'Brien finished third in the PCAA Tournament at 177. A senior, he was 18-19 last season and finished fifth in the Sun Devil Invitational and finished fourth in the Chico Tournament. Robin Green, who finished third in the PCAA two seasons ago at 167, will be coming back after a redshirt season. In 1981, he was 17-10 with six pins.

Among the top finishes for Fresno State in tournament competition, the Bulldogs finished fifth in the Chico State Tournament, third in the San Francisco State Tournament and finished fourth in the PCAA.

Overall, DeLiddo should have an excellent 'sophomore' season!

LOCATION - Fresno, California
ENROLLMENT - 16,240
NICKNAME - Bulldogs

COLORS - Cardinal, Blue and White
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - Russ Sloan
CONFERENCE - PCAA

SPORTS INFORMATION - John Loiacono
WRESTLING COACH - Dennis DeLiddo

CAL STATE - LONG BEACH "49ers"



FRED RODRIGUEZ
COACH CAL STATE - LONG BEACH

California State University at Long Beach returns seven starters from a team that finished sixth in the Pacific Coast Athletic Association tournament. But, what just could be the best news of all for wrestling coach Fred Rodriguez is the list of recruits that he has brought in for the upcoming season.

Rodriguez signed five recruits for his team and that could make his fortunes better than last season.

Returning from last season will be Pablo Saenz, who was third in the PCAA championships at 118. A junior, he was 12-4 last season. Chris Beck, a senior, was 6-5-1 last season wrestling at 126. Paul DeVoy, who did not win a match last season, returns and the Long Beach coaching staff are looking for big things out of him this season.

Among the top newcomers are Roger Blackshear, a 134 pounder who transferred from a junior college, Steve Peek, a 177 pounder from Irvine, CA, Steve Stiwichtenberg, also from Irvine, will wrestle at 167, Russ Silver, who is also from Irvine, will wrestle at heavyweight and Paul Abshire, who is from Fountain Valley High School and will wrestle at heavyweight.

Rodriguez, who is in his seventh year at Long Beach State, has a coaching record of 60-39.

LOCATION - Long Beach, California
ENROLLMENT - 32,000
NICKNAME - 49ers
COLORS - Brown and Gold

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - Perry Moore
CONFERENCE - PCAA
SPORTS INFORMATION - Terry Ross
WRESTLING COACH - Fred Rodriguez

CHICO STATE UNIVERSITY "WILDCATS"

Armand Brett, the coach of the Wildcats of Chico State, will have a young squad returning from last season's team that finished 11th in the NCAA Division II championships last season.

Two of the returnees participated in the championships last season - Mike Grosberg and Robert Kuintske. Grosberg also placed second in the 1982 Far Western Conference tournament. Kuintske placed sixth in the NCAA tournament, earning himself All-America status.

Other returnees include Jorge Acosta (126-34), a senior who finished third in the All-California Tournament, Digo Cooper (126-34), a sophomore who finished fourth in the Far Western Conference, Robert Cooper (126), a sophomore who finished fourth in the Far Western Conference and the Peterson Open, and Rex Davis (167-77), a senior who finished fourth in the Far Western Conference.

Doug Kaelin and John Zgombic fill out the list of returning letterwinners back from last season. Kaelin was fourth in the San Jose State tournament and number one seed in the Far Western Conference tournament. Zgombic finished fourth in the San Jose State tournament, the Peterson Open and the Far Western Conference.

Darrell Millar, a 118 pound junior, is expected to start after being a back-up last season.

Three freshmen signed by Brett could crack the starting lineup. Junior Chris Cordova, a 167 pounder, finished eighth in the California JC championships, Junior Don Knaresboro, a 190 pounder, finished fourth in the Southern California JC region and was a state JC qualifier and Freshman Tod Wagner, a 142 pounder, may be able to crack the starting lineup.

The Wildcats will be young but that could end up as a bonus for Brett as the season comes to an end.

LOCATION - Chico, California
ENROLLMENT - 13,000
NICKNAME - Wildcats
COLORS - Cardinal and White
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - Dick Marshall
CONFERENCE - Far Western
SPORTS INFORMATION - Tony Bord
WRESTLING COACH - Armand Brett

CLAREMONT-MUDD "STAGS"

The Claremont-Mudd College "Stags" return nine starters off of a team that finished last season at 9-8-1 and placed first in the NCAA Division III Regionals.

Among the nine starters include 118 pound sophomore Mike Zellner, 134 pound sophomore Todd Cassan, 126 pound senior Scott Graeser, 190 pound senior Doug Rubino, 177 pound junior Eric Proroparis, 177 pound Dave Orlando, 142 pound sophomore Dennis Ogawa and 158 pound junior Jim Ashford.

Coach Jim Broncatorco also signed two new recruits to help build the Stags' resources. Coming to Claremont-Mudd are 142 pound freshman Brian Bregman and 150 pound freshman Brad Childers.

Broncatorco has coached three seasons at Claremont-Mudd and has a record of 18-4-1.

Overall, the Stags are a young team with just two seniors so no one knows what to expect from this team when the Caesars Palace Tournament rolls around.

LOCATION - Claremont, California
ENROLLMENT - 400
NICKNAME - Stags
COLORS - Scarlet and Gold
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - Dr. Bill Arce
CONFERENCE - SCIAC
SPORTS INFORMATION - Mike Sutton
WRESTLING COACH - Jim Broncatello

IDAHO STATE UNIVERSITY "BENGALS"



**TOM JEWELL
COACH - ISU**



**BRAD COOPER
BIG SKY 167 lb CHAMPION**

Idaho State wrestling prospects are brighter than they've been in years. Coach Tom Jewell lost only three lettermen from the 1982 squad that placed third in the Big Sky Conference. And among the seven returning lettermen are five Big Sky placers. That group includes two-time heavyweight champ Arnie Bagley, 167-pound champ, Brad Cooper, 118-pound runner-up Mike Jackson, 126-pound second placer Wayne Rogers and 150-pound Dan Pugmire.

Bagley, a senior, has a three year record of 29-5-0 and last season finished with a 17-2-0 mark. He could probably be one of the biggest heavyweights at 280 pounds. Cooper, a senior, finished last season at 15-11-0. Jackson, also a senior, finished last season with a 14-10-0 mark after transferring from Grays Harbor College. Rogers, also a senior, was 14-15-0 last season. Pugmire, only a sophomore, was 14-4-0 in his first season as a Bronco.

That's a talented group to start with, and Jewell enjoyed one of his best recruiting campaigns. 167-pound Randy Wirtjess became the first junior college champion to enroll at Idaho State. He is from Rochester (MN) Community College and had a 32-4 mark last season.

And Jewell scoured the fertile wrestling area of Idaho Falls, 50 miles to the north, and landed five state champs. That group includes Randy Heyrend, Scott Birkenbine and Rodger Ford of Skyline High School, Kurt Payne of Bonneville High School and Andy Ardemis of Salmon High School, some 160 miles northwest of Idaho Falls.

Combined between five of the top six recruits, last season they lost a total of just 15 matches.

Competition in the Big Sky has become fierce with all schools upgrading their grappling programs. Nevertheless, the 1983 favorites must be Boise State and Weber State, who finished in that order last year. However, the Bengals are hopefully on the way back to parity with those schools. ISU and Boise State are tied in the league record book, each having won seven consecutive titles, ISU from 1967-73 and Boise State from 1974-80.

Jewell enters his 13th season as head coach of Idaho State. He has one of the best coaching records in Big Sky history, including six conference team titles (1968-73) and league Coach of the Year awards. He has a career dual match record of 90-29 in his 12 seasons at ISU and overall. And his 1972 team tied for 10th in the NCAA Division I championships, led by ISU's only All-America John Caccia.

So, look for Idaho State to improve on last season's 6-4 record and their first shot to take Boise State for the Big Sky might just be at the Caesars Palace Invitational where both will be competing.

LOCATION - Pocatello, Idaho
ENROLLMENT - 10,747
NICKNAME - Bengals

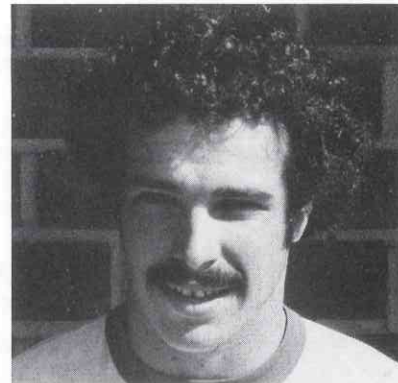
COLORS - Orange and Black
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - I.J. Caccia
CONFERENCE - Big Sky

SPORTS INFORMATION - Glenn Alford
WRESTLING COACH - Tom Jewell
ASSISTANT COACH - David Deal

UNIVERSITY OF LaVERNE "LEOPARDS"



TONY DONVITO - COACH - UNIVERSITY OF LaVERNE



JERRY REDMAN - UNIVERSITY OF LaVERNE

The University of LaVerne wrestling program is starting off brand new. The school revised its wrestling program last season with head coach Tony Donvito at the controls.

The Leopards are 2-8 last season and have all four of their starters returning from last season. They also finished fourth in the Southern California Intercollegiate Conference.

Jerry Redman, a senior, returns at 168. He was 10-2 last season and finished second in the SCIAC. Roland Chacon, a sophomore, returns at 142. He was 12-8 last season and also finished second in the SCIAC.

Larry Redman, also a sophomore, returns at 158 where he also finished second in the Southern California Intercollegiate Conference. Moe Salehpour, a senior, returns at 150 where he also finished second in the SCIAC.

With a new program, nobody knows how good the Leopards will be. Not even the head coach, but people will find out how good the Leopards will be when they enter the Caesars Palace Invitational.

LOCATION - LaVerne, California
ENROLLMENT - 1200
NICKNAME - Leopards
COLORS - Green and Orange
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - Roland Ortmayer
CONFERENCE - Southern California Intercollegiate
SPORTS INFORMATION - Dave Weber
WRESTLING COACH - Tony Donvito

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY "FIGHTING TIGERS"

The Louisiana State University "Fighting Tigers" will be making their second trip to Las Vegas. Last season, the Tigers defeated UNLV in a dual meet 28-14.

The Tigers have nine returning starters from that team and things are really looking up for coach Larry Schiacchetano and his wrestling program. The Tigers also signed seven top recruits to fill up their roster.

LSU was 7-7-1 last season in dual competition and finished twentieth in the NCAA Division I Championships. The Tigers also finished fourth in the Midwest Regionals.

Returning for LSU is 118-pounder Mike Clevenger, a junior who was 17-13 last season. Also back is Jim Edwards, who was 16-9-3 last season at 134. Kent Elliot, who was 20-9-1 last season as a freshman, and Eric Hershberger, who was 22-10-1 last season at 142, also return for LSU.

Seven new recruits dot the LSU roster, led by Kevin Jackson, a two-time Michigan State High School champion and Michigan state wrestler of the year. He had a three-year high school record 95-5. Tom Marable was a high school All-America and a two-time Tennessee state champ. He was voted Memphis male athlete of the year. He had a three-year high school record of 103-4-1.

Sam Jolly, who was 31-1 last year at Joliet JC will be a newcomer to the LSU roster.

Clarence Richardson, a second-place finisher in the National Junior College Championships, Stephan Gibbons, a two-time Louisiana state high school champ, also will be in their first year for LSU. Gibbons was an honorable mention high school All-America and had a three-year record of 102-7-1.

Richard Guillotte and J.P. Portwood fill out the remaining LSU freshman roster. Guillotte was a two-time Louisiana state high school champ and had a three-year HS record of 112-10. At one time, he had won 69 matches in a row. Portwood was a three-time Louisiana State champ and had a three year record of 93-2-1 with 56 falls.

Schiacchetano is in his sixth year as head coach at LSU. He is 53-38-2 as the mentor for LSU and in 17 years of overall wrestling coaching, he is 184-69-7.

LOCATION - Baton Rouge, Louisiana
ENROLLMENT - 27,689
NICKNAME - Fighting Tigers
COLORS - Purple and Gold
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - Robert E. Brodhead
CONFERENCE - Southeastern
SPORTS INFORMATION - Bobby Soileau
WRESTLING COACH - Larry Schiacchetano

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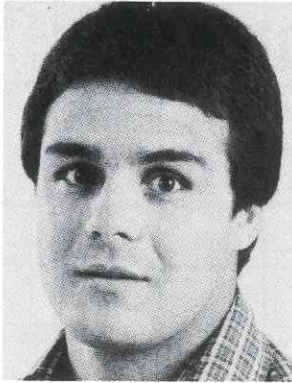


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UNLV COACHING STAFF



Mark Churella

MARK CHURELLA Head Coach

UNLV's wrestling coach, **Mark Churella**, who begins his second season as head coach, has been known as a battler. That is why he won the NCAA title three times and was named All-America four times. And that is why no one should expect the UNLV wrestling team, 2-9 last season, to duplicate the mark the team had a year ago.

Churella competed for the Univ. of Michigan where he won the NCAA title during his last three years and was given All-America honors for each year at the Big Ten school.

He begins his second season as head coach after serving as an assistant coach for two seasons.

Churella came to UNLV after winning the 167-pound title at the NCAA championships during his senior season in 1978. During his sophomore and junior seasons, he claimed the national crown at 150 while being selected the Outstanding Collegiate Wrestler in the Nation.

During his four-year career at Michigan, he was the winningest wrestler ever to put on a Wolverine uniform and also record the most pins in UM history.

In 1977, he was the United States Federation Grand National Champion and Junior World Gold Medal Winner, which was held in Las Vegas.

At the 1976 United States Olympic trials in Cleveland, he placed fourth in the 149½-pound category.

Churella received All-America honors at Farmington Hills High School in Farming Hills, Michigan. While in high school, he won three varsity letters in wrestling and three in football. Churella also won all-state and all-conference honors while wrestling at 138 and 155 pounds.



Pat Christenson

PAT CHRISTENSON Assistant Coach

Churella completed his first season as head coach of the Rebels with a 2-9 record and a third place finish in the Pacific Coast Athletic Association tournament.

Churella is married to the former Leslie Murphy, and they are the parents of one son, Mark, Jr.

There is no better coaching combination in the country in terms of past wrestling experience than head coach Mark Churella and assistant coach **Pat Christenson**. The University of Wisconsin All-America enters his third season as an assistant coach. He also serves as Events Coordinator for the UNLV Athletic Department.

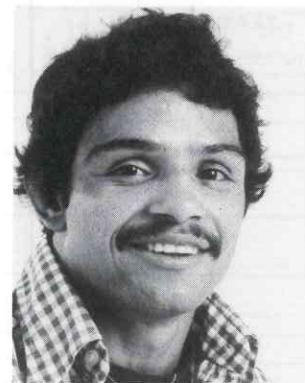
A native of Wisconsin, Christenson compiled a four-year record of 98-21-2 as a collegiate grappler. That also includes being a 1976 NCAA champion. He was a four-year letterwinner and a three-time Big 10 place-winner.

Christenson has also competed in many other amateur contests including the Junior World team tour in Europe and three first place finishes at the Northern Open in Madison, Wisconsin.

As a physical education teacher and wrestling coach at Waunakee (WI) High School, he directed the squad, which featured two All-Americans, to three state runner-up titles.

The owner of a B.S. degree in physical education from the University of Wisconsin, Christenson, also a recipient of the Western Conference medal for academic excellence, is completing requirements for a master's degree in physiology of exercise at UNLV.

Christenson, 28, is single.



Bill Rosado

BILL ROSADO Part-Time Coach

Bill Rosado enters his third season as an assistant coach for the UNLV wrestling team. Rosado was a four-year All-America at Arizona State University and a member of the 1976 Olympic wrestling team and a bronze medalist at the 1980 World Games.

Rosado is holder of a B.S. degree in quantitative business from ASU. His wife's name is Renee.

TIM JEFFRIES Part-Time Coach

Tim Jeffries begins his first year as an assistant coach for the UNLV wrestling team. Jeffries earned All-America honors at Arizona State Univ. He was also an instructor at UNLV's first wrestling camp and also helps with the youth program of the United States Wrestling Federation in Las Vegas.

MIKE ABRAMS Part-Time Coach

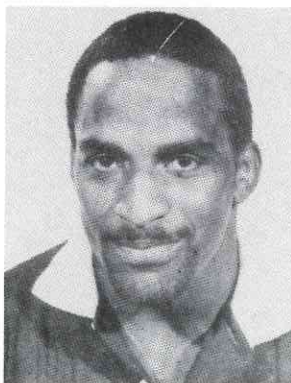
Mike Abrams will be making a return to the UNLV coaching staff after one year's absence. Abrams was a former NAIA and NCAA Division II champion at Grand Valley State College.

TOM COFFING Student Assistant

Tom Coffing, after wrestling for one season for coach Churella, will be the team's weight training coordinator. Coffing finished the season at 29-6 and was a runner-up in the PCAA Tournament and participated in the NCAA Tournament. Coffing transferred to UNLV from the University of Arizona where he finished third in his sophomore season. Coffing is married and his wife's name is Leona.

SCOTT RUPPE Student Assistant

After a four-year career with the UNLV wrestling team, **Scott Ruppe** now takes the controls as the team's promotional coordinator. Ruppe came to UNLV from Uintah High School in Vernal, Utah, where, as a teammate of Kevin Huber, he was 91-7-2 in three seasons. Ruppe is married and his wife's name is Kerry.



Mike Abrams

CAESARS PALACE INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES

weight class	school	contestants	1981-82 Record W-L-D	MATCH SCORE			
				1st Period	2nd Period	3rd Period	FINAL
118							
126							
134							
142							
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158							
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1982-83 UNLV REBEL WRESTLING SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME
Nov. 10	Intra Squad Meet	Las Vegas, NV	7:30pm
Nov. 19	Alumni Meet	Las Vegas, NV	7:30 pm
Dec. 2	Double Dual — Montana State & Mankato State	Las Vegas, NV	6:00 pm
Dec. 3	Double Dual — Laverne & Biola	Las Vegas, NV	6:00 pm
Dec. 3	Big Eight — Pac-10 Duals (UNLV will not participate)	Las Vegas, NV	6:00 pm
Dec. 4-5	Caesars Palace Invitational	Caesars Palace, Las Vegas, NV	All Day
Dec. 11	Double Dual — Northern Arizona - Cal Poly, SLO	Las Vegas, NV	6:00 pm
Dec. 13	Ohio State	Las Vegas, NV	7:30 pm
Jan. 7	Tri-Dual — Michigan, Ohio State, Ohio U.	Columbus, Ohio	Noon
Jan. 8	Michigan State	East Lansing, MI	7:30 pm
Jan. 10	Cleveland State	Cleveland, OH	7:30 pm
Jan. 11	Ashland	Ashland, OH	2:30 pm
Jan. 16	Fresno State*	Las Vegas, NV	7:30 pm
Jan. 21	Cal State-Bakersfield	Las Vegas, NV	7:30 pm
Jan. 23	Cal State-Fullerton*	Las Vegas, NV	7:30 pm
Jan. 26	Boise State	Boise, ID	2:30 pm
Jan. 28	M.I.W.A. Tournament	Pocatello, ID	All Day
Feb. 3	Double Dual — Stanford, Biola	La Mirada, CA	6:00 pm
Feb. 4-5	Biola Tournament	La Mirada, CA	All Day
Feb. 10	Brigham Young	Provo, UT	7:30 pm
Feb. 11	Utah State*	Logan, UT	7:30 pm
Feb. 12	Weber State	Ogden, UT	2:30 pm
Feb. 18	Cal State-Long Beach*	Las Vegas, NV	7:30 pm
Feb. 19	Arizona State	Las Vegas, NV	7:30 pm
Feb. 25	PCAA Tournament	Long Beach, CA	All Day
Mar. 10-12	NCAA Tournament	Oklahoma City, OK	All Day

*-Designates Pacific Coast Athletic Association Opponent

HEAD COACH: Mark Churella (Second Season 2-9-0)

ASSISTANT COACHES: Pat Christenson, Bill Rosado, Tim Jeffries, Tom Coffing, Scott Ruppe, Mike Abrams

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Dr. Brad Rothermel

ATHLETIC INFORMATION: Charles Bloom



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TOP WRESTLERS TO WATCH

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Tim Nelson, Wyoming, Senior, 30-10 last season
 Ed Giese, Minnesota, Sophomore, 21-15-1
 Randy Willingham, Oklahoma State, Senior, two-time All-America
 Mike Erb, Oregon, Senior, 7-4 last season
 Al Gutierrez, Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, Senior, 24-10 last season
 Abric Liley, Fresno State, Sophomore, 21-15 last season
 Pablo Saenz, Cal State-Long Beach, Junior, third at PCAA
 Mike Jackson, Idaho State, Senior, 14-10 last season
 David Jones, Montana State, Sophomore, 13-8 last season
 Perry Watson, Biola University, Senior, 10-13 last season
 Mike Clevenger, Louisiana State, Junior, 17-13 last season
 Dave Rynda, Oklahoma, Sophomore, 15-14-1 last season
 Adam Cuestas, Cal State-Bakersfield, Senior, 46-3 last season
 Roger DeSart, UNLV, Senior, 62-17 in three seasons, two-time NCAA qualifier

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Greg Atkinson, Biola University, Sophomore, 15-15 last season
 Tom Riley, Arizona State, Junior, 20-4 last season
 Mark Zimmer, Oklahoma, Junior, 14-5 last season
 Wayne Rogers, Idaho State, Senior, 14-15 last season
 Chris Beck, Cal State-Long Beach, Senior, 6-5-1 last season
 Cliff Berger, Oregon State, Junior, 26-18-1 last season
 Chris Bell, Wyoming, Senior 27-5 last season
 Gary Bohay, Arizona State, Senior, 27-2-1 overall, 1981-82 redshirt
 Dave Morell, Ashland, Junior, 21-9 overall
 Karl Glover, Cal State-Bakersfield, Senior, 26-4 last season
 Jerry Kelly, Oklahoma State, Senior, redshirt last season, third in NCAA-1981
 Clint Burke, Oklahoma, Senior, 14-3 last season
 Ralph Harrison, New Mexico, Sophomore, 29-12-1 last season, NCAA qualifier
 Ray Gulmatico, UNLV, Sophomore, 12-7 last season

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Mike McNaney, Wyoming, Sophomore, 20-12-1 last season
 Walt Markee, Oregon State, Junior, 8-11 last season
 Tom Harautuneian, Fresno State, Senior, 8-8-1 last season
 Scott Barrett, Boise State, Senior 28-4 last season
 Jim Edwards, Louisiana State, Junior, 16-9-3 last season
 Derrick Strahorn, Stanford, Senior, 8-6 last season
 Sean Shea, Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, Junior, 14-10-1 last season
 Todd Winter, Ashland, Sophomore, 21-15-1 last season

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John Giura, Wisconsin, Sophomore, 23-15 last season
 Dave Lundskog, Weber State, Sophomore, first in the Big Sky Conference
 Adam Cohen, Arizona State, Sophomore, 19-16-1 last season
 Dan Pugmire, Idaho State, Sophomore, 14-4 last season
 Jeff Barksdale, Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, Senior, 9-7 last season
 Ron Battersby, Biola University, Junior, 5-4 last season
 Jessie Reyes, Cal State-Bakersfield, Junior, 63-13-1 overall
 Darren Abel, Oklahoma, Junior, 10-5 last season
 Tony Tracey, New Mexico, Junior, 20-6 last season, WAC champ, NCAA qualifier
 Jeff Todd, Montana State, Senior, 13-8-1 last season
 Roland Chacon, LaVerne, Sophomore, 12-8 last season
 Eric Hershberger, Louisiana State, Senior, 22-10-1 last season
 Kevin Huber, UNLV, Senior, 15-11-1 last season

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Pat O'Donnell, Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, Senior, 12-17 last season
 Kenny Monday, Oklahoma State, Junior, second at the NCAA championships
 Mark Schmitz, Wisconsin, Senior, 30-8-1 last season
 Doug Bytendorp, Weber State, Sophomore, first in the Big Sky Conference
 Eddie Urbano, Arizona State, Junior, National JC champion
 Lonnie Currier, Wyoming, Junior, 15-7 last season

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Moe Salehpour, LaVerne, Senior, second in the SCIAAC meet
 John Schaumburg, New Mexico, Senior, 12-10 last season, JC national champ
 Roger Frizzell, Oklahoma, Senior, 27-4-1 last season, 87-16-2 overall
 Greg Williams, Utah State, Senior, 28-10 last season, PCAA champion
 Mark Black, Ashland, Senior, 31-7 last season

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Jim Trudeau, Minnesota, Senior, redshirted last season
 Rick O'Shea, Oregon, Sophomore, 20-8-1 last season
 Jay Billy, Ashland, Senior, 22-12-1 last season
 Louie Montano, Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, Senior, 27-5 last season
 Gene Alison, Fresno State, Junior, Cal State JC Champion
 Steve Ross, Utah State, Junior 29-8-1 last season
 Larry Redman, LaVerne, Sophomore, second in the SCIAAC meet
 Marty Bench, Weber State Senior, first in the Big Sky Conference
 Ron Whitman, Wyoming, Sophomore, 30-13-1 last season

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Jim McCready, Montana State, Senior, 12-4 last season
 Robin Green, Fresno State, Senior, 17-10 last season
 Sylvester Carver, Fresno State, Junior, California JC champion
 Tom Mullen, Stanford, Sophomore, 16-10-1 last season
 Mike Sheets, Oklahoma State, Junior, second in the NCAA championships
 Jerry Redman, LaVerne, Senior, 10-2 last season, second in the SCIAAC meet
 Brad Cast, New Mexico, Junior, finished third and fourth in JC nationals
 Melvin Douglas, Oklahoma, Sophomore, 9-1 last season
 Brad Cooper, Idaho State, Senior, 15-11 last season
 Randy Wirtjess, Idaho State, Junior, 32-4 last season, national JC champion
 Scott Teuscher, Cal State-Bakersfield, Senior, 32-12 last season
 Gordon Washington, UNLV, Sophomore, 18-18-1 last season

177

Mark Loomis, Cal State-Bakersfield, Senior, 30-12 last season
 Chris McIntosh, Cal State-Fullerton, Sophomore, fifth in the PCAA
 Jim O'Brien, Fresno State, Senior, 18-19 last season
 Jim Baumgarder, Oregon State, Junior, 33-9 last season
 Mark Schultz, Oklahoma, Senior, 27-2 last season
 Kent Elliott, Louisiana State, Sophomore, 20-9-1 last season
 Tom Mikalson, Biola University, Senior, 13-6 last season
 Dennis Limmex, Wisconsin, Junior, 19-9 last season
 Keith Fisher, Wisconsin, Senior, 20-11 last season
 Terry Jones, Oregon State, Junior, three-time Oregon State champ
 Doug Perkins, Stanford, Senior, 24-3 last season
 Phil Dunford, Fresno State, Junior, California JC champion

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Kevin Jackson, New Mexico, Senior, 22-10 last season,
 two-time WAC champ, NCAA qualifier
 Lance Hochanadel, Oregon, Junior, 18-3-1 last season
 John Schebler, Utah State, Junior, 31-2-1 last season
 Mike Blaske, Cal State-Bakersfield, Junior, 1982 national JC champion
 Ed Katz, Stanford, Sophomore, 14-7 last season
 John Bauman, Boise State, Junior 8-7 last season

HWY

Mike Severn, Arizona State, Junior, 18-11 last year
 Dan Cook, Oregon, Junior, 25-4 last season
 Josh Washington, Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, Senior, 28-9-2 last season
 Roger Herrera, Cal State-Bakersfield, Senior, 27-10 last season
 Craig Broderick, Cal State-Bakersfield, Junior, third in Cal JC championships
 Arnie Bagley, Idaho State, Senior, 17-2 last season
 J.L. Coon, Utah State, Junior 6-2 last season

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA "GOLDEN GOPHERS"

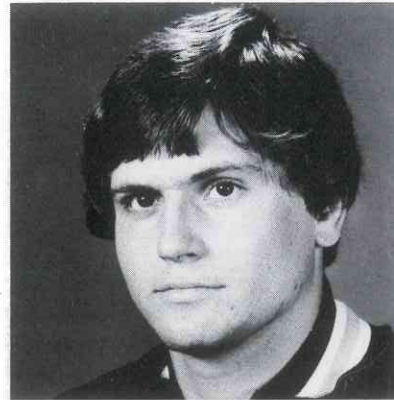


WALLY JOHNSON
COACH - UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Last season, the Minnesota "Golden Gophers" finished with a 17-2 overall record and a 5-1 Big Ten record. They wound up as runner-up in the Big-10. Minnesota finished sixteenth in the NCAA Division I championships. But, with eight starters lost from that squad, a repeat of that performance seems rather dim.

But, don't count out the Golden Gophers, behind head coach Wally Johnson. Johnson, who is in his 30th season at Minnesota, has 347 wins against only 176 losses and nine ties. There has to be a big reason for having such a record like that. And, there is.

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JAMES TRUDEAN
UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Last season, with a 17-2 record, the Gophers were led by seniors Gary Lefebvre, Jim Martinez and Dalen Wasmund. Martinez, who finished the season with a 40-3 record and was third at the NCAA championships, wrestled at 142 pounds. Lefebvre was at 126 and Wasmund at 134.

Jim Trudeau, who was injured last season, comes back this season off a redshirt season. Other underclassmen who will be back this season for Minnesota will be Even Bernstein, Steve Martiniz, Mark Miller, Greg Evans, Darrell Gholar, Jeff Anhut, Ed Giese and Todd Guse.

Johnson is assisted by Tom Press.

LOCATION - Minneapolis, Minnesota
ENROLLMENT - 47,000
NICKNAME - Golden Gophers

COLORS - Maroon and Gold
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - Paul Giel
CONFERENCE - Big-10

SPORTS INFORMATION - John Nicholson
WRESTLING COACH - Wally Johnson
ASSISTANT COACH - Tom Press

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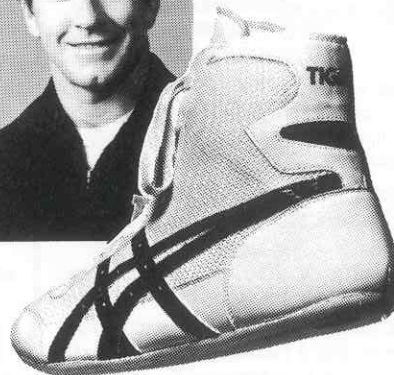
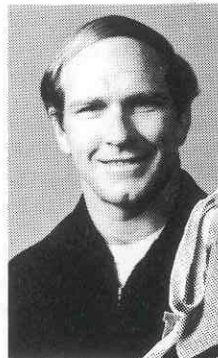
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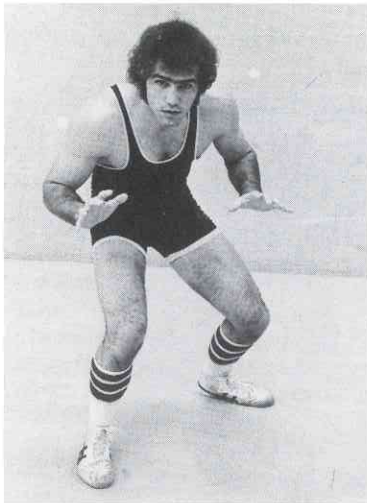
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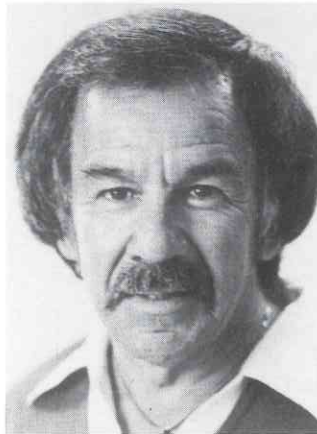


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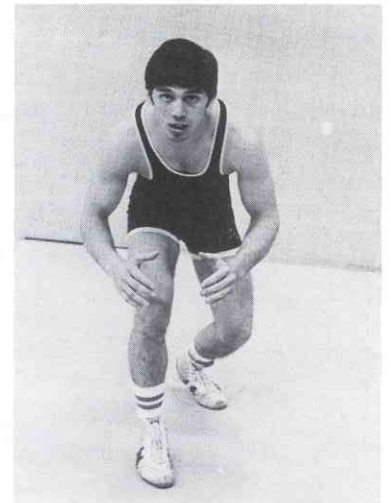
MANKATO STATE UNIVERSITY "MAVERICKS"



**JOEL LOOSE - SR. 177 FROM PIPESTONE MN.
TOP RETURNEE. PLACED 4th IN NCC CONFERENCE.
3rd IN NCAA DIV. II 1982.**



**RUMMY MACIAS
MANKATO STATE - COACH**



**RICH KELLER SR. 142 STILLWATER, M.N.
4th IN NCC CONFERENCE.
CAREER RECORD 46-20.**

The Mavericks of Mankato State University were 12-6 last season and return nine starters off that squad this season. The Mavericks, members of the North Central Conference, are coached by 33-year coaching veteran Rummy Macias, who has a career record of 249-143.

Mankato State returns 177-pounder Joe Loose, who placed third in the North Central Conference tournament last season. A senior, his record was 18-11 last season.

Macias signed six top recruits for his program to add a lot of depth this

season. They include Rustie Becker, Al Benzhofer, Mike Omann, Joe Burns, Bill Phillips and Terry Wright.

Becker is a Minnesota State heavyweight high school champion while Benzhofer is also a Minnesota state high school champion at 190. Omann placed third in the Minnesota state high school championships at 177.

Burns was 37-2 in his senior season last year at 150. Phillips and Wright were recruited from the State of Iowa.

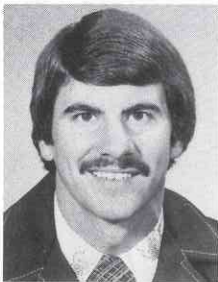
Macias is assisted by Bob Mock and Dave Howlatt.

LOCATION - Mankato, Minnesota
ENROLLMENT - 12,000
NICKNAME - Mavericks

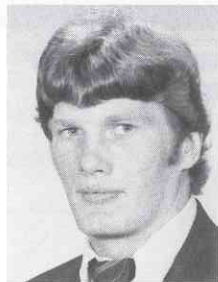
COLORS - Purple and Gold
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - James Otto
CONFERENCE - North Central

SPORTS INFORMATION - Dan Schrupp
WRESTLING COACH - Rummy Macias
ASSISTANT COACHES - Bob Mock and Dave Howlatt

MONTANA STATE "BOBCATS"



**BILL WILLETS - HEAD COACH
MONTANA STATE**



**JIM MCCREEDY
MONTANA STATE**

Prospects for Montana State look very well for the 1982-83 wrestling season. The Bobcats have six returning starters and signed five top recruits.

The Bobcats are coached by Bill Willetts, who has a six-year coaching record at Montana State of 29-43. Before coaching Montana State he was an assistant coach at Memphis State University. Last season, he directed the Bobcats to a 9-3 dual record and a fourth place finish at the Big Sky Conference.

Back from last year's squad is Jim McCreedy, a 167 pounder, who was 12-4-0 last season as a junior. He had a junior college record of 55-12-1 and was the 1977 JC national champion. David Jones, a 118 pounder, was 13-8 last season and a Big Sky champion. Jones was a freshman last season. He had a high school record of 67-5 and was a two-time Montana Class A State champ. He was a high school honorable mention All-America. Kevin Helmer is another top returnee for the Bobcats. He was the Big Sky runner-up last

season while going 10-4-1. A 158 pounder, he finished fifth in the Wisconsin State high school tournament.

Last season, freshman 134-pounder Warren Tarr was rated eighth in the nation by **Amateur Wrestling News** in their Freshman All-America list.

Among the top recruits for the Bobcats is Terry Maki from Libby, Montana. He was a high school AA Champion at the 185 pound weight class in both his junior and sophomore seasons. Injuries kept him from being a four-time AA champ in his freshman and senior seasons. His overall high school record was 70-1.

Rob Moretz is another signee who is now with Willetts at Montana State. He is from Bozeman, Montana. He is a four-time place winner in the state AA tournament. He finished second in his freshman and junior seasons and third in his sophomore and senior seasons. He was 88-15-0 in four years of high school wrestling.

Mike Conner comes to Montana State from Forest Grove, Oregon. He is the brother of current MSU wrestler, Bill Connor. He was a three-time Oregon State AA place-winner. He will be wrestling at 190 and had a high school career mark of 85-5-0. He chose MSU over Oregon, Temple and Portland State.

V.J. Maddio is another three-time Montana State AA place-winner. In his senior season, he won the state title at 126. He had a high school career mark of 84-15-1 and might wrestle at 126 or 134 in college.

The final recruit brought in by Willetts is 118 pounder Buel Dickson from Great Falls, Montana. He finished his high school career at 78-5-1 and won the state AA championship in his senior season.

With other Big Sky Conference schools in the Caesars Palace Invitational, Montana State will be looking to impress the other conference schools.

LOCATION - Bozeman, Montana
ENROLLMENT - 10,000
NICKNAME - Bobcats

COLORS - Blue and Gold
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - Tom Parac
CONFERENCE - Big Sky

SPORTS INFORMATION - Bruce Parker
WRESTLING COACH - Bill Willetts
ASSISTANT COACHES - Dr. George Belshaw and Larry Bittner



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UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO "LOBOS"

Coming off a successful 1981-82 campaign, the New Mexico Lobos are looking for bigger and better things this season. New Mexico returns eight starters off of a team that finished last season with six wins against three losses. They also finished second in the Western Athletic Conference tournament.

Returning for New Mexico will be Ralph Harrison, Tony Tracey, Kevin Jackson, John Schaumburg and Brad Cast.

Harrison, only a freshman last season, qualified for the NCAA Division I Tournament and finished second in the WAC championships. He was 29-12-1 in his freshman season. A 126 pounder, he gave the UNLV Rebels fits last season at that weight. Tracey was another NCAA qualifier from New Mexico. He was 20-6 wrestling at 142. A junior, he was also the WAC champion.

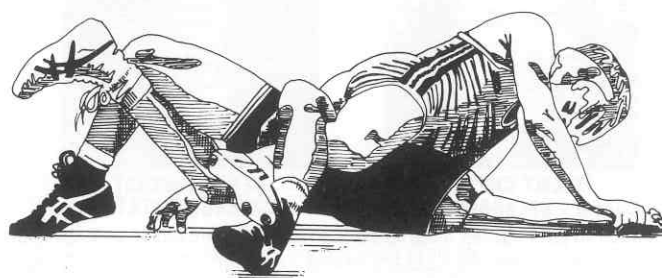
Jackson also qualified for the NCAA championships. He will be one of the two returning senior starters from last year's squad. Jackson is a two-time WAC champion and was 22-10 last season. He is a 190 pounder. Schaumburg is the other returning senior starter. He was a JC National champion two seasons ago and was 12-10 last season wrestling at 150 pounds.

Cast is a 167 pounder who was out last season. In junior college, he placed third and fourth in national championships. A junior, he is a 167 pounder.

Coach Bill Dotson recruited two high school wrestlers to fill in for the two starters that were lost to graduation. Chris Luttrell and Bill Hulsey are the two newcomers.

Luttrell comes to New Mexico as a three-time state champion. A 118-pounder, he was 28-0 last season and pinned all of his opponents. Hulsey was an Oklahoma state champion and will wrestle at 158 for the Lobos.

Dotson is in his third season as head coach at New Mexico compiling a record of 9-8. He is assisted by Kevin Finn.



LOCATION - Albuquerque, New Mexico

ENROLLMENT - 23,182

NICKNAME - Lobos

COLORS - Silver, Red and White

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - John Bridgers

CONFERENCE - Western Athletic

SPORTS INFORMATION - John Keith

WRESTLING COACH - Bill Dotson

ASSISTANT COACH - Kevin Finn

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UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA "SOONERS"

Another established wrestling institution makes its way to the Caesars Palace Invitational Wrestling Tournament in the name of the UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA. The Sooners, finished third in the NCAA Division I championships last season and should be knocking on that door again this season.

The Sooners are coached by Stan Abel, who, in his 11 seasons as head coach of OU, has a record of 145-50-4. Abel was at Oklahoma when they won the NCAA championship back in 1974. In that tournament, Oklahoma won the title with only 69½ team points, the lowest since 1963 when Oklahoma won the championship scoring 48 team points.

Oklahoma finished the season with a 16-3-1 dual meet record and finished first in the prestigious Great Plains Open, fourth in the Midlands Tournament and finished second in their conference (Big-8) to Iowa State.

The Sooners lost six starters off of last year's team but were so deep in their roster, that they might not even feel the loss. Oklahoma returns seniors Mark Schultz, Roger Frizzell and Clint Burke, juniors Mark Zimmer and Darren Abel and sophomores Melvin Douglas and Dave Rynda.

Schultz, was voted the NCAA Division I championships Most Outstanding Wrestler. In the tournament finals, he defeated two-time defending champion Ed Banach of Iowa 16-8 to win the 177 championship after claiming the 167 title the year before. In the 1982 tournament, Schultz scored one pin, an 11-point decision, two 8-point decisions, and a one-point win over Perry Hummel of Iowa State.

Frizzell, who had a 27-4-1 record last season, finished third in the NCAA championships a year ago. He lost to eventual champion Nate Carr of Iowa State in the semi-finals, Frizzell has an overall record of 87-16-2 in three seasons at Oklahoma.

Zimmer was 14-5-0 a year ago as a freshman and lost in the first round of the NCAA championships. Burke was 14-3-0 at 126 last season. Abel was

10-5 at 142 pounds last season. Melvin Douglas was 9-1 at 167 last season backing up his teammate Dave Schultz, who took first place at the NCAA championships. Rynda was 15-14-1 at 118 as a freshman last season and lost in the opening round of the NCAA tournament.

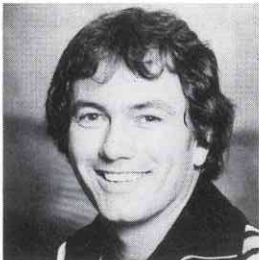
The Sooners will bring in three new recruits that have credentials that give them one of the best recruiting catches in the country. First, John LaViolette was a three-time Oklahoma state champion. He can go at either 150 or 158 and had a career record in high school of 104-1-0. He pinned 25 of his 31 opponents last season.

Dave Palmer is a three-time Indiana state champ. He had a high school career mark of 110-2-0. Nick Neville, a 177 pounder, was a two-time Texas state champion and was 132-4-0 in high school.

Oklahoma hopes that it can keep its record as one of the top wrestling teams in the Big Eight and in the country at the Caesars Palace Invitational.

LOCATION - Norman, Oklahoma
ENROLLMENT - 24,958
NICKNAME - Sooners
COLORS - Crimson and Cream
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - Wade H. Walker
CONFERENCE - Big Eight
SPORTS INFORMATION - Jeff Seal
WRESTLING COACH - Stan Abel
ASSISTANT COACH - Eric Wais

OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY "COWBOYS"



TOMMY CHESBRO
COACH - OKLAHOMA STATE



KENNY MONDAY
OKLAHOMA STATE

In order to put together a top notch tournament, there has to be a fair share of the big names. And the Caesars Palace Invitational has attracted one of wrestling's big names in OKLAHOMA STATE.

The Cowboys, of the Big Eight Conference, finished fourth last season in the NCAA Division I wrestling tournament. And that's nothing to sneeze at when you consider that they were third in their own conference. That should tell you just how powerful the Big Eight is when it comes to wrestling.

The Cowboys are coached by 13-year veteran Tommy Chesbro. Chesbro was the head coach of Oklahoma State when they won the NCAA title some 12 seasons ago. Since then, the sport of wrestling has been dominated by Iowa and Iowa State. Chesbro, in his 13 seasons, has a coaching record of 186-26-0, a winning percentage of 88!

Last season, the Cowboys were 18-3 and finished fifth in the prestigious Midlands Tournament. Leading OSU were Kenny Monday, Randy Willingham, and Mike Sheets. Of last season's team, the Cowboys return seven starters

and all of the above mentioned will return for the season.

Monday, a junior, was the runner-up at 150 in the NCAA championships. Incidentally, Monday lost in the finals to Iowa State's Nate Carr, who earlier in the competition, defeated UNLV's Tom Coffing 7-1. Monday was 25-2-1 last season and has a two-year career mark of 52-9-2 at Oklahoma State.

Willingham, a senior, finished fifth in the NCAA championships at 118. Willingham lost to the eventual champion, Barry Davis of Iowa, in the semifinals. A two-time All-America, he has a three-year career mark of 64-18-2 at Oklahoma State.

Sheets, a junior, was the runner-up at 167 in the NCAA championships. Sheets lost (4-4, 1-1) by criterion to Dave Schultz of Oklahoma in the finals. Sheets was 29-5 last season and has a two-year career mark of 48-12 while at Oklahoma State.

Another wrestler who could turn in a strong performance for the Cowboys is Jerry Kelly, who redshirted last season. In 1980, Kelly finished third in the NCAA championships at 126 losing to Dave Cooke of North Carolina in the semifinals. Kelly finished second in the NCAA's the season before that.

Among the newcomers that will help Oklahoma State reach the NCAA championships will be freshmen Karl Wolfenberger and Angelo Cuzalina. Wolfenberger, who could wrestle at 134 or 142, is a two-time Kansas state finalist while Cuzalina, who wrestles at 142, is a two-time Oklahoma state finalist. Brent Barnes, a national junior college champion at 158, will also be available for the Cowboys.

Assisting Chesbro in coaching is Lee Roy Smith, Paul Martin, Ricky Stewart and Bruce Baumgartner.

Agreed, there is no better place to start the attack on the 1983 NCAA wrestling championships than at the Caesars Palace Invitational!

LOCATION - Stillwater, Oklahoma
ENROLLMENT - 22,708
NICKNAME - Cowboys
COLORS - Black and Orange
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - Dr. Richard Young
CONFERENCE - Big Eight
SPORTS INFORMATION - Tim Allen
WRESTLING COACH - Tommy Chesbro
ASSISTANT COACHES - Lee Roy Smith, Paul Martin, Ricky Stewart, Bruce Baumgartner

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON "DUCKS"



RON FINLEY - COACH UNIV OF OREGON



RICK O'SHEA - UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

The Ducks will make their second trip to Las Vegas in as many seasons to participate in this seasons' Caesars Palace Invitational. Last season, the Ducks finished second in the Western Open, which was held at the Las Vegas Convention Center.

The Ducks are coached by 12-year veteran Ron Finley, who has a coaching career record at Oregon of 166-77. This past season, he led Oregon to a 14-4 record and first place in the Pac-10 Conference. Oregon also placed 18th in the NCAA Division Championships.

This season, Oregon returns seven starters including Mike Erb, Dan Cook, Rick O'Shea and Lance Hochanadel. Last year, Erb had a 7-4 record wrestling at 118 pounds. A senior, he has an overall school record of 36-27. Cook, a heavyweight, was 25-4 last season and has a 72-20 record in two seasons. O'Shea, a 158-pound sophomore, was 20-8-1 in his first season.

The Ducks also recruited two top high school wrestlers that could start right away. Scott Ames was a two time Oregon State wrestling champion at 190. John Borich was a four-time Oregon State place winner and a two-time grand national elite champion. He will wrestle at either 142 or 150.

The Ducks had some great dual match victories last season. They defeated the Cal State-Bakersfield, champions of the NCAA Division II Tournament, 23-22 and they knocked off PCAA champion San Jose State 23-17. The Ducks finished third in the Oregon Invitational and finished fifth in the Portland State Tournament.

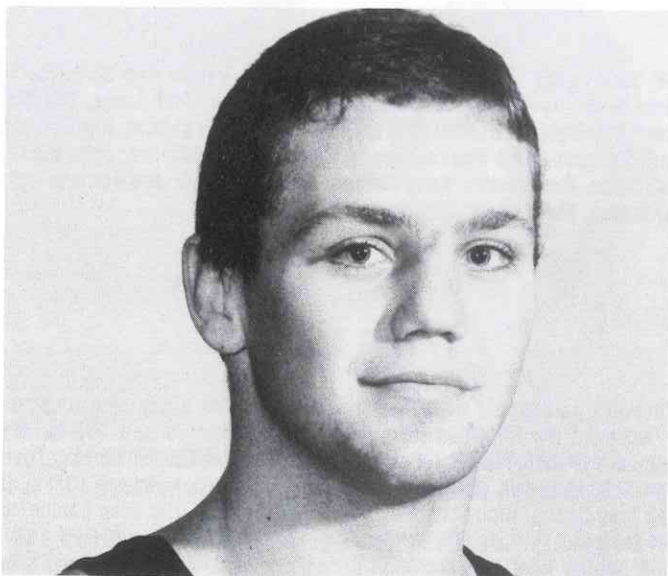
With seven starters returning from last year's fine team, Oregon will look to improve on its' record from last season and things are looking up for the Ducks in wrestling.

LOCATION - Eugene, Oregon
ENROLLMENT - 17,000
NICKNAME - Ducks

COLORS - Green and Yellow
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - Richard Bay
CONFERENCE - Pac-10

SPORTS INFORMATION - Steve Hellyer
WRESTLING COACH - Ron Finley
ASSISTANT COACHES - Bill Nugent, Dean Dixon, Steve Hart

OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY "BEAVERS"



JIM BAUMGARDNER - OREGON STATE

The Oregon State Beavers finished second in the Pac-10 Conference last season and looks to improve on that mark this season as he returns nine of ten starters from that team.

The Beavers went 15-11 in dual matches last season with 177-pound Jim Baumgardner leading the charge. He went 33-9 last season in his sophomore season to lead all of the returnees in wins.

Also back from last season's team is Walt Markee, a junior 134-pounder, Cliff Berger, a junior 126-pounder, and Chris Bielenberg, a senior heavy-weight. Markee was 8-11-0 last season with Berger at 2618-1 and Bielenberg recording a 20-16-3 mark.

The Beavers recruited three state champions to fulfill their roster. Among the three are junior Terry Jones, who comes from Linn Benton Community College. He was a three-time high school state champ. Marvin Seal comes to Oregon State from North Salem (OR) High School where he was a two-time State champ. And Abel Saenz, who was a California State champ at Bellflower High School.

The Beavers are coached by Dale Thomas, who is in his 27th year at Oregon State. He has a record of 473-97-7 at Oregon State. He is assisted by Greg Strobel.

LOCATION - Corvallis, Oregon
ENROLLMENT - 16,600
NICKNAME - Beavers

COLORS - Orange and Black
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - Dee G. Andros
CONFERENCE - Pac-10

SPORTS INFORMATION - Rick Ohren
WRESTLING COACH - Dale Thomas
ASSISTANT COACH - Greg Strobel

NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY "LUMBERJACKS"

This season, the Northern Arizona University Lumberjacks from Flagstaff, Arizona will compete in the first annual Caesars Palace Invitational.

The Lumberjacks, like the UNLV Rebels, struggled a bit last season, but find themselves with a strong recruiting class that could put them right up there in the top of their conference, the Big Sky.

The Rebels defeated the Lumberjacks last season, 23-22, in one of the Rebels' two victories.

This season, the Lumberjacks have recruited some of the top wrestlers from California, New Mexico and Illinois. From California, coach Lanny Westbrook recruited Scott Autenreith from Hemet High School in Hemet, CA. A 167 pounder, he had a prep career record of 107-19 and finished seventh in the California state championships in 1982. He is also a holder of a 3.6 grade point average.

From New Mexico, the Lumberjacks recruited Richard Gallegos from Cibola High School in Albuquerque. He won the New Mexico state AAAA title with four pins in four matches and won four other tournament titles. He compiled a 72-6 career prep record and went undefeated in 30 matches as a senior.

From Illinois, Westbrook landed Rick Van Roeyen from Niles High School in Stokie. A 134 pounder, he was 34-4 in high school and was selected an all-state performer. He finished first in the conference, district and the sectionals. He was also third in the state meet.

Other freshmen coming into Flagstaff this season are William Cole, a 150 pounder, George Goettl, a 150 pounder, Ted Goettl, a 142 pounder, Robert Reyes, a 150 pounder, Jack Woolridge, a 126 pounder who went to the same high school (Flowing Wells in Tucson) than Kyle Kotchou of UNLV, Darren Runyon, a 134 pounder, Herbert Gray, a 126 pounder, and Russell Rael, a 142 pounder.

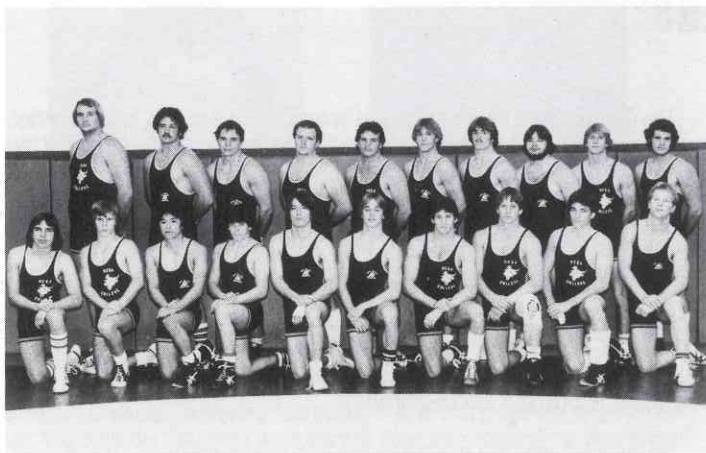
Coming back for another season of wrestling at NAU will be Gary Greenberg, who finished third in the Big Sky conference championships, Craig Malone, a junior who finished second last season in the Big Sky and third in 1981. Malone has a two-year record at NAU of 63-30. Mark Surdyka, a junior, finished fourth in the Big Sky championships and had a 29-9-2 record last season with a 26-7 freshman record.

Arthur "Dibbs" Cake will be coming off a redshirt season. Two years ago, he finished fourth in the Big Sky championships.

Overall, Northern Arizona will field a young team that has only three seniors. But, with the trends of wrestling currently, a young team could turn out to be the surprise of the tournament. And, to think about it, the host Rebels only field three seniors. So, it could be anybody's tournament.

LOCATION - Flagstaff, Arizona
ENROLLMENT - 12,500
NICKNAME - Lumberjacks
COLORS - Blue and gold
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - T.H. Anderson
CONFERENCE - Big Sky
SPORTS INFORMATION - Wylie Smith
WRESTLING COACH - Lanny Westbrook

MESA COLLEGE



MESA COLLEGE WRESTLING TEAM

TOP ROW - LEFT TO RIGHT: Gary Whitney, Ken Dyess, Lari Mertens, Jim Jaranowski, David Wilty, Blair Lampe, Graig Elder, Phil Jones, Bill Blair, Jesse Harrington. BOTTOM ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: Jay Keltner, Ken Berridge, Mark Baltazar, Mark Mascarenas, Dan Fugita, Ron Gibbons, John Stowall, Rick Olsen, Bret Harvey, Harry Willden. NOT PICTURED: Joe Herrera, Duyné Barrientos, Mark Curry, Jim Huston.

The 1982-83 edition of the Mesa College Wrestling Team will feature four (4) returning lettermen in 142-lb. senior, Bret Harvey, 150-lb., junior, Rick Olsen, 190-lb. Junior, Lari Mertens, and Hwt. senior, Jim Jaranowski; also on the plus side are several young men who saw limited action during the 1981-82 season.

Mesa had one of the best recruiting years in several years with a number of very talented freshmen reporting to pre-season work-out.

A very young team will take to the mat this fall, but with valuable

experience gained each week they should develop into a very competitive unit.

Some of the freshmen team members to watch for are 118-lb. Mark Baltazar from Wiggins High School, 118-lb. Dwayne Barrientos from Olathe High School, 126-lb. Joe Herrera, Grand Junction High School, 134-lb. Bill Blair from Central High School, 142-lb. Mark Curry, 150-lb. Blair Lampe from Fort Morgan High School, 150-lb. Graig Elder, Berthoud High School, 158-lb. Mark Shaffer from Norwood High School and Hwt. Ken Dyess from Grand Junction High School.

LOCATION - Grand Junction, Colorado
ENROLLMENT - 2800
NICKNAME - Mavericks

COLORS - Maroon, Gold & White
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - Jay Jefferson
CONFERENCE - RMAC

SPORTS INFORMATION -
WRESTLING COACH - Ed Tooker

SAN JOSE STATE UNIVERSITY

"SPARTANS"

San Jose State has been termed somewhat of a dynasty in the Pacific Coast Athletic Association when it comes to wrestling. The Spartans have won the PCAA wrestling title three years in a row and have taken the crown eight of out of the last ten seasons. They also finished ninth in the NCAA Division I wrestling championships last season.

But, this season, San Jose State returns 10 lettermen, which is not so bad. They lost three lettermen, which isn't so bad. But, when you take into account the three lettermen, the Spartan troops might be depleted a bit. Two of the three lettermen were starters: Wayne Jones and Eddie Baza.

Jones, a 126 pounder, won the PCAA title last year while Baza, a 142 pounder, who won the PCAA championship all four years he was at San Jose State. So, replacing these two wrestlers could be tough. But, San Jose coach T.J. Kerr won't be that bad off with junior Brad Gustafson filling in at 126 and junior David Barnes coming in at 142.

Again, this season, the Spartans will be tough. Other returning letterwinners from last year's squad include Albert Perez, a junior 134 pounder, Jay Slivkoff, a sophomore 150 pounder, Pat Huyck, a sophomore 158 pounder, Michael Hairston, a senior 167 pounder, Andy Tsarnas, a junior 177 pounder, John Tornse, a junior 190 pounder, and Jerry Morrison, a junior heavyweight.

A list of the top newcomers to this season's Spartan squad include Gus Paz, a California State champion at 134, Darryl Pope, another California State high school champion at 158, Michael Monroe, a California State high school runner-up at Heavyweight and Don Knox, a California State runner-up at 167.

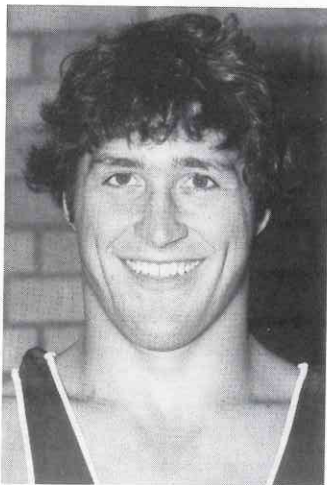
Last season, the Spartans finished first in the Mumby Tournament, the Portland State tournament and the PCAA Tournament. They finished third in the Biola Invitational and finished ninth in the NCAA Division I championships.

Kerr, who is assisted by Ralph Kuehn, is in his eleventh season at San Jose State. His overall record is 142-64-3.

The Spartans will be tough to beat this season, but with some of the top men it might be a tough season for the Spartans. But, if history stays the same, San Jose State could still be on top when the season comes to the close.

LOCATION - San Jose, California
 ENROLLMENT - 27,000
 NICKNAME - Spartans
 COLORS - Blue, White and Gold
 ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - Dave Adams
 CONFERENCE - PCAA
 SPORTS INFORMATION - Lawrence Fan
 WRESTLING COACH - T.J. Kerr
 ASSISTANT COACH - Ralph Kuehn

STANFORD "CARDINAL"



DOUG PERKINS
STANFORD



CHRIS HORPEL
COACH - STANFORD

Led by 1982 NCAA qualifiers Doug Perkins and Ed Katz, the Stanford Cardinal enters optimistically into its third season of varsity competition after being reinstated in 1980.

The Cardinal was 5-6 last season with its' highest finish being in the All-Cal Invitational, where they placed fourth. Perkins, a 190 pounder, and Katz, a heavyweight, had strong seasons last year. Perkins was 24-3 as a junior and placed second in the Pac-10 tournament. He won individual championships in the Mumby Tournament, the All-Cal Tournament and the Biola Invitational.

Katz was 14-7 last season as a freshman. He finished second at the All-Cal Tournament, fourth at the Biola Invitational and third in the Pac-10 meet.

Other returnees that might help the Cardinal this season will be sophomore Tom Mullen and Derrick Strahorn. Mullen, a 167 pounder, was 16-10-1 last season as a freshman and finished fourth in the Mumby Invitational and third in the Pac-10 championships. Strahorn, a senior 134-pounder, finished fourth in the Biola Invitational.

Since Stanford's program is so young, it has to be dependent on its' young talent and the Cardinal picked up four top recruits that should enhance its' winning percentage in the future.

Coach Chris Horpel recruited Jeff Wilson, who will be transferring in from the University of Washington. He is a junior and will wrestle at 177. Jeffrey Hazard is another top recruit picked up by Horpel. He had a 44-2 career record while at Cordova Senior High School in Rancho Cordova, CA. Scott Wiggen is another top recruit. He had a 32-2-1 record at Wheaton (IL) High School. Peter Rogers fills out the recruiting class. He had a 75-8 career mark at Oak Park High School in Marion, Illinois.

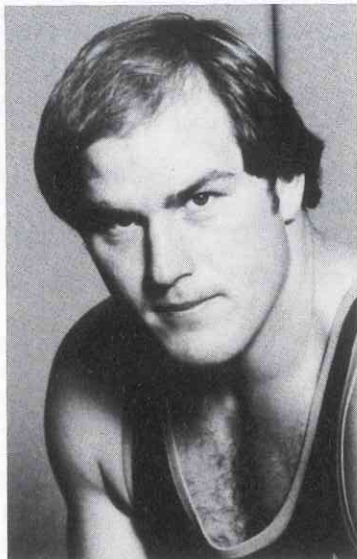
Horpel is in his third year as head coach, the only coach that the program has ever had. His overall record is 8-14-1.

LOCATION - Stanford, California COLORS - Cardinal Red and White SPORTS INFORMATION - Steve Raczynski
 ENROLLMENT - 12,866 ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - Andy Geiger WRESTLING COACH - Chris Horpel
 NICKNAME - Cardinal CONFERENCE - Pacific-10 ASSISTANT COACHES - Malcolm Scott and Rick Zweig

UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY "AGGIES"



BOB CARLSON
COACH - UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY



J.L. COON
UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY

Only one wrestler stood between UNLV winning its first Pacific Coast Athletic Association title. That wrestler, Greg Williams of Utah State, defeated Tom Coffing of UNLV in the finals of the PCAA tournament. Coffing is gone this season but Williams returns for his senior season after going 28-10 last year.

The Aggies finished second in the PCAA Tournament, behind San Jose State, who is also in the Caesars Palace Invitational.

Also returning for Utah State is 158-pounder Steve Ross, 190-pounder John Schebler and heavyweight J. L. Coon, who sat out most of the season with an injury. Ross, a junior, was 29-8-1 last season while Schebler, also a junior, was 31-2-1 last season. Coon was 6-2 in part time duty. He is also a junior.

Utah State coach Bob Carlson also signed two newcomers and they could contribute to the program this season. Mike Yamasaky, a 118 pounder, was the California State High School Champion last season and finished that year 43-1. Erik Strown, a 126 pounder, was the Iowa State champion last season.

The Aggies return all ten starters from last year's team, so they could figure to be a strong force in the PCAA as well as in the Caesars Palace Invitational!

LOCATION - Logan, Utah
ENROLLMENT - 10,000
NICKNAME - Aggies

COLORS - Navy Blue and White
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - LaDell Anderson
CONFERENCE - PCAA

SPORTS INFORMATION - Craig Hislop
WRESTLING COACH - Bob Carlson
ASSISTANT COACHES - Tracy Moore and Randy Neilson

WEBER STATE COLLEGE "WILDCATS"

The Weber State wrestling team is coming off of a good season, where they went 16-7 last season and had three starters finish first in the Big Sky Conference tournament, which all of them return.

The Wildcats lost two starters off of last season's team but with two recruits brought in by coach John Webb, Weber State looks to fill those spots with ease.

Three top starters from last season include Marty Bench, Doug Bytendorp and Dave Lundskog, all of which won the Big Sky conference title. Bench, a senior, wrestles at 158; Bytendorp, a sophomore, wrestles at 150 and Lundskog, also a sophomore, wrestles at 142.

Two new recruits are Cal Robinson, a transfer, who was a regional JC champ and went 30-3 at 190 and Doug Kopecky, who was a two-time Utah State High School champ at 142. He was 62-0 in two seasons.

Among the top finishes in tournaments last season for the Wildcats was a fourth place finish in the Wyoming Invitational and a sixth place finish in the Boise State Invitational.

Webb is assisted by Ed Dilbeck and Jim Hamilton.

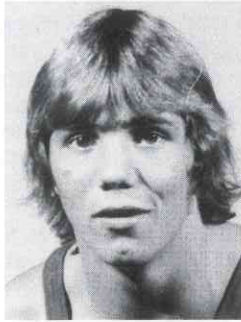
Weber State is just another of the long line of tough teams that are participating in this season's Caesars Palace Invitational.

LOCATION - Ogden, Utah
ENROLLMENT - 11,000
NICKNAME - Wildcats
COLORS - Purple and White
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - Gary Crompton
CONFERENCE - Big Sky
SPORTS INFORMATION - Brad Larsen
WRESTLING COACH - John Webb
ASSISTANT COACHES - Ed Dilbeck and Jim Hamilton

WISCONSIN "BADGERS"



RUSS HELLICKSON
COACH - WISCONSIN



MARK SCHMITZ
WISCONSIN

The Wisconsin Badgers are beginning a new era under first year Head Coach Russ Hellickson. With the retirement of Duane Kleven, the Badgers will try to continue their climb into national prominence that the 12 year partnership that Kleven/Hellickson has brought about. Moving to the assistant coach's position is former Badger All-American Mitch Hull. Wisconsin also retains their outstanding graduate assistants NCAA Champion Andy Rein and three-time World Champion Lee Kemp.

Hellickson, an Olympic Silver Medalist, plans on bringing a new intensity to the Badger program, which has specialized a takedown style of wrestling. This type of style has benefited many former Badgers to have continued success on the international scene. Names like Jack Reinwand, Jim Haines, and UNLV's assistant coach Pat Christenson, are evidence of Wisconsin's takedown style success.

This year's Badger squad will be putting their bid in to continue the success of the University of Wisconsin. Leading the way will be All-American and Big Ten Champion Mark Schmitz. Schmitz, a senior from Mineral Point, Wisconsin should be in the thick of the NCAA champions race when the season concludes next spring. He is also one of the co-captains along with John Giura: Giura a sophomore from Oak Park, Illinois, was picked to the first team Freshman All Star Squad last year at 134 pounds. Wisconsin also figures to be strong at 177 pounds where Dennis Limmex or Keith Fisher will man that spot. Limmex, a junior, was a Big Ten runner-up as a freshman and Fisher, a senior, finished third in the 1980 Olympic Greco-Roman Trials. There is also a possibility that Limmex may red-shirt this year.

Figured to add strength to the Wisconsin line-up are lettermen Robin Morris, 118; Steve Ensor, 142; Dwayne Schultz, 190; Marty Loy, 190; and Mike Euker, Hwt. John Iannuzzi an All-American as a freshman in 1981, will be an outstanding 134 pounder for the Badgers the second semester after red-shirting a year for academic reasons.

The Badgers also had an outstanding recruiting year, ranked third in the country by Amateur Wrestling News. Top recruits are Jim Jordan, a four-time state champion from St. Paris, Ohio; Jordan a 126 pounder, owns a 151-1 record over his four years. The other blue chipper for the Badgers is Ralph Liegel, a two-time state champ from River Valley High School (Spring Green, Wisconsin). Liegel, a 167 pounder was a junior national freestyle champion and owns a career record of 112-6. Other top freshmen for the Badgers are Mark Clayton, a two-time state champ from Scott City, Missouri at 118; Jerry Jackson, a state champion at 185 pounds from LaPorte, Indiana; Mike Murphy, a two-time state champion at 134 from Mineral Point, Wisconsin; Tom Wicks, a state champion at 126 from Stoughton, Wisconsin and John Wirnsberger, a state champion at 155 pounds from Two Rivers, Wisconsin.

LOCATION - Madison, Wisconsin
ENROLLMENT - 42,230
NICKNAME - Badgers

COLORS - Cardinal and White
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR -
CONFERENCE - Big-10

SPORTS INFORMATION - Jim Mott
WRESTLING COACH - Russ Hellickson
ASSISTANT COACH - Mitch Hull

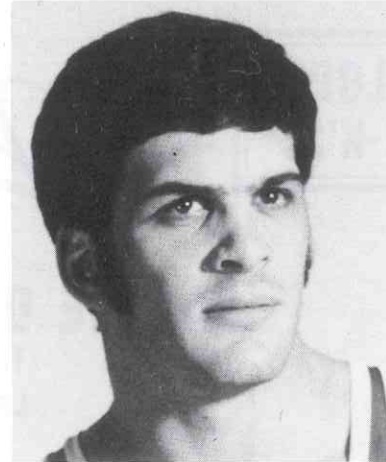
WESTERN STATE COLLEGE "MOUNTAINEERS"



TRACY BORAH - COACH
WESTERN STATE COLLEGE

The Mountaineers of Western State College come into this season having achieved an 8-7 mark last season. And the team, coached by Tracy Borah, returns all ten starters from last year's team, which could give Borah another winning season.

Borah is in his 26th season at Western State College and has a record of 212-101. Overall, he has coached for 32 seasons and has an overall coaching record of 256-123.



PAUL DELMONICO
WESTERN STATE COLLEGE

Among the ten starters returning, three top returnees include 118 pound senior Mark Strakbein, 126 pound senior Andy Mora and 177 pound senior Paul Delmonico.

Borah is assisted by Jack Garrison and Jim Blasingame.

The Mountaineers, even though their enrollment of 3200 may show a small school, their wrestling continues to be of a winning status.

LOCATION - Gunnison, Colorado
ENROLLMENT - 3,200
NICKNAME - Mountaineers

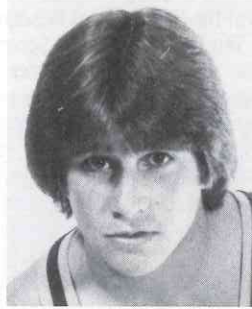
COLORS - Crimson and Slate
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - Tracy Borah
CONFERENCE - Rocky Mountain

SPORTS INFORMATION - Tom Lambert
WRESTLING COACH - Tracy Borah
ASSISTANT COACHES - Jack Garrison and Jim Blasingame

UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING "COWBOYS"



**JOE DOWLER
COACH - WYOMING**



CHRIS BELL - WYOMING

One of the top wrestling squads in the Western Athletic Conference will be making their way to the First Annual Caesars Palace Invitational.

The University of Wyoming has been slowly building into a powerhouse in wrestling and last year's 7-2 record could be greatly improved this season with all 10 starters returning.

Among the starters that will be back are Chris Bell and Lonnie Currier. Both qualified for the NCAA Division I championships. Bell, a senior, was 27-5 last season and won the WAC championship title and the NCAA Western Regional title. After winning the 126-pound weight class handily, Bell was named the WAC Tournament's outstanding wrestler. One of the best in Cowboy wrestling history, Bell has already won 83 matches in just three seasons to rank fourth on Wyoming's all-time career victory list behind Jimmy

London (111), Larry Deal (93) and Dan Godbehere (92). Bell, with 27 pins, also rates fifth on Wyoming's all-time pin list. He has journeyed to the NCAA national meet in each of his three seasons at Wyoming.

Currier, who is a junior, was 15-7 last season in making his way to the NCAA tournament. He was the individual champion at 150 in the WAC championships and finished second in the NCAA Western Regionals. In two seasons at Wyoming, Currier is 39-17.

Other top returnees for the Cowboys this season will be 118-pounder Tim Nelson, 134-pounder Mike McNaney and 158-pounder Ron Whitman.

McNaney and Whitman were named co-ropies of the year for the Cowboys last season. McNaney, who posted a 30-12-1 record, finished third at 134 pounds in the Western Athletic Conference Tournament. Whitman, finished with a 30-13-1 record and placed second in the WAC Tournament at 158 pounds. Whitman also finished the season with 10 pins, third highest on the Cowboy squad, behind only juniors Mike Metzler and Tim Nelson who each recorded 11. Each wrestler posted two tournament championships during the season.

Nelson finished last season with a 30-10 mark competing at 118 pounds. He finished second in the Western Athletic Conference tournament and was the champion at the M.I.W.A. Tournament. Nelson finished third in last season's Western Open, which was held at the Las Vegas Convention Center.

The Cowboys are coached by veteran Joe Dowler, who has been at Wyoming for 10 seasons. His overall record is 68-51 with his best season coming last year when his team went 7-2.

The Cowboys look to be among the top seven or eight teams in the Caesars Palace Invitational and Dowler could have his best season yet at the controls of the Wyoming Cowboys.

LOCATION - Laramie, Wyoming
ENROLLMENT - 9,600
NICKNAME - Cowboys

COLORS - Brown and Yellow
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - Gary Cunningham
CONFERENCE - Western Athletic

SPORTS INFORMATION - Doug Skipper
WRESTLING COACH - Joe Dowler

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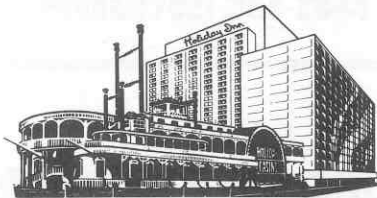
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