

Wrestling



First Row: D. Patterson, B. Toter, D. Menschel, D. Pine, K. Pine, M. Riley.
 Second Row: L. Dial, P. Krakowiak, D. Rupp, J. Spring, J. Degenfelder, D. Peters, G. Smith.
 Third Row: I. Lay, R. Graves, B. Parker, C. Brooks, C. Poodry, M. Seneca, R. Nauen, R. Gioffreda, Coach Bareham.

Sectional champs in only their second year of competition is the proud record made by Panther wrestlers. Coach Bareham's grapplers grunted and groaned to the Section VI Class A title in the tournament held at Cleveland Hill. In competition against all teams entered in the sectionals the Panthers finished fourth.

In addition, the team manhandled all opponents in the Chautauqua County League to continue unbeaten for the second year and easily retained its county tournament championship.

Gowanda's overall record was 11 wins and 7 losses with all of the losses being to larger schools which have been competing in wrestling longer than the Panthers.

The team was led by three standout seniors. Larry Dial climaxed a highly successful season in which he won 16 matches while losing but one by becoming the Section VI 147-pound champ. In his first year of competition Robert Graves fought his way to second place in the 175-pound class at the sectionals while Joe Degenfelder enjoyed an outstanding season as he won 9 matches while losing 5 against tough opposition in the 141-pound class.

The wrestlers can hardly wait to get to the new school where they will have their own fully equipped wrestling room.

The season record:



Gowanda 20	Hamburg	36	Gowanda 19	West Seneca	22
Gowanda 35	Falconer	26	Gowanda 39	Southwestern	13
Gowanda 32	Orchard Park	22	Gowanda 24	Falconer	22
Gowanda 35	Southwestern	17	Gowanda 13	Williamsville	35
Gowanda 10	Warren, Pa.	42	Gowanda 18	Orchard Park	32
Gowanda 56	Pine Valley	10	Gowanda 30	Mayville	18
Gowanda 37	Mayville	13	Gowanda 19	Amherst	25
Gowanda 22	Hamburg	23	Gowanda 45	Cassadaga Valley	10
Gowanda 38	Cassadaga Valley	16	Gowanda 34	Pine Valley	18

Chautauqua County Tournament—Gowanda 1st.
 Section VI Class A Tournament—Gowanda 1st.
 Section VI Tournament—Gowanda 4th.