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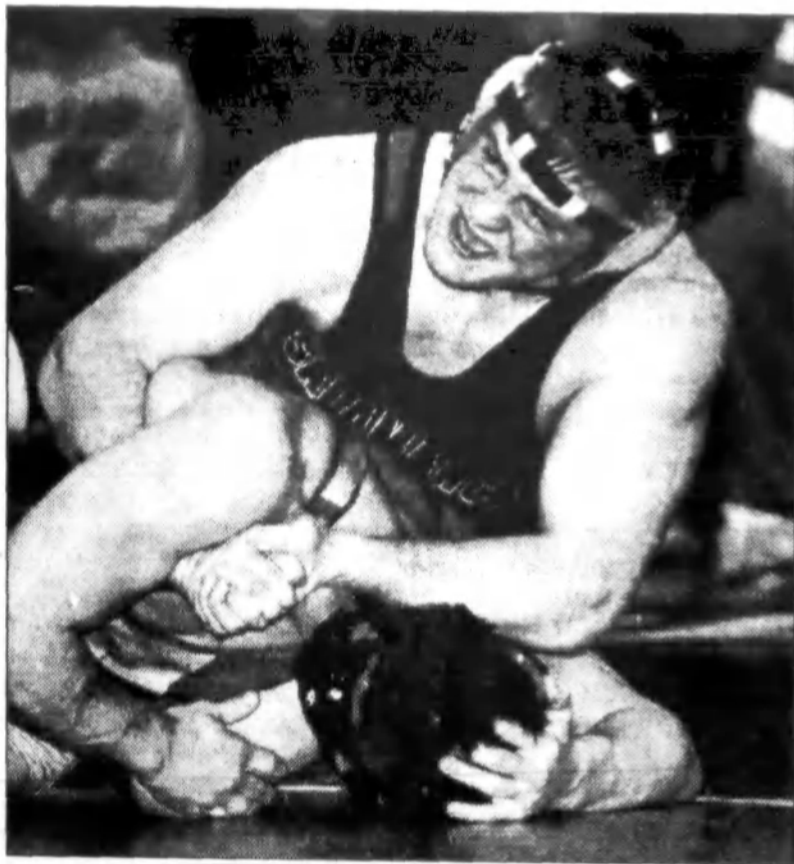
Salamanca took home a respectable fourth as the Warriors placed two champions at 103 and 189-pounds. Salamanca also had two runner-ups in Josh Becker (96 pounds) and Justin Hoag (160 pounds).

Matt Metzler and Kane Smith remain undefeated as they waltzed through their competition.

Metzler held off Fredonia's Kenny Betts 4-0 in the finals while Smith took down Canisteo's Nick Clark 7-3.

Becker lost 4-2 to Fredonia's Chris Conti while Hoag fell 7-1 to Josh Lancaster of Silver Creek.

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Kane Smith of Salamanca took home first place at 189-pounds and was also named the tournaments most outstanding wrestler by participating coaches. Smith beat Canisteo's Nick Clark 7-2 in the finals.

(Press photo by Darren Riethmiller)

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ing for another tournament to participate in said Salamanca head coach Rich Morton.

Assistant coach Gary Gilbert graduated from General McClane and helped get Pennsylvania school in.

"I think when you bring a team that has that kind of talent on it, it brings the level of competition up," said Morton. "That's what we want in this tournament."

The Warriors showed their strengths as well as they had four wrestlers in the finals to go along with Joe Lewis and Billy Roosa taking third.

"Our kids really wrestled well, said Morton "I was pleased with the ways thing went for us a team."

Unlike other tournaments and meets, Smith probably had his toughest match of the year.

"Kane's (Smith) had more competition in this tournament then he did all year," said Morton.

With a long tournament such as this won as well as the huge success it was, Morton says it could not have ran as smoothly without the help of many volunteers.

"Not only was the wrestling great, but everybody who was here at this tournament was a class act," said Morton. "It's a tribute to our people in our wrestling program and the effort that they gave," said Morton.

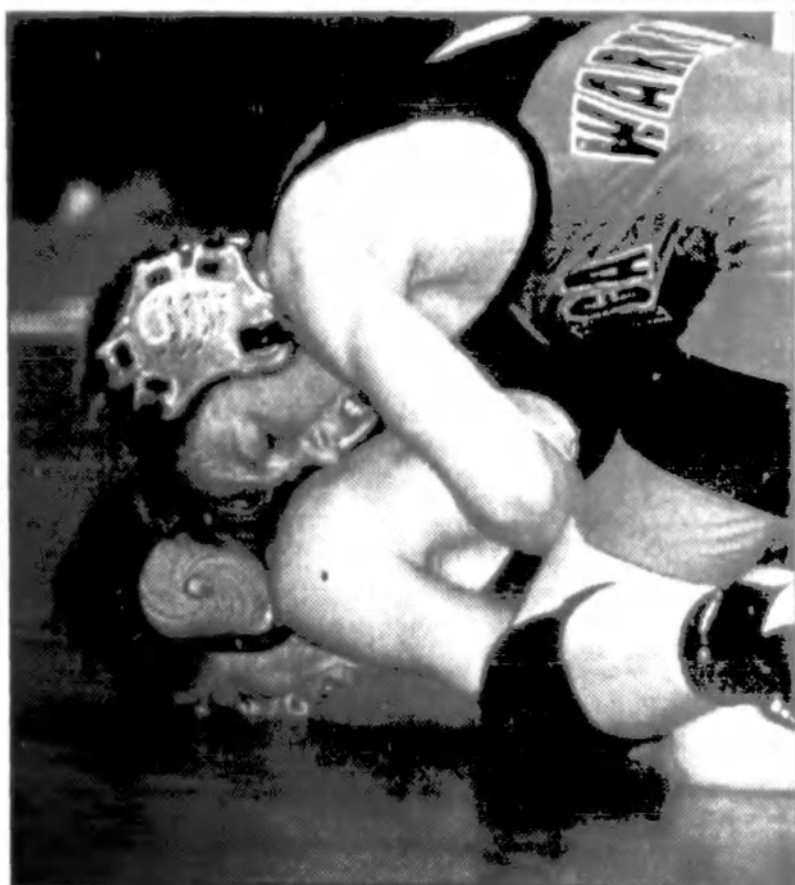
But it wasn't just the people within the wrestling program that helped.

"There were tons of people who were outside the program who came down and helped." "It couldn't have been run any better than it was."

SHS Tournament results

General McClane 279.50

Fredonia 181.00



Matt Metzler works Kenny Betts of Fredonia in the 103 -pounds division. Metzler won 4-0.

(Press photo by Darren Riethmiller)

Canisteo	163.50	119—Ryan O'Connor, Silver Creek
Salamanca	148.50	125—Andrew Taylor, Bolivar-Richburg
Bolivar-Richburg	136.50	130—Donald Osinski, General McClane
Silver Creek	107.00	135—Hadley Harrison, General McClane
Maryvale	104.50	140—Kyle Amidon, Canisteo
Bradford	91.00	145—Trent Filer, Oswayo Valley
Pine Valley	77.00	152—Steve Pancio, Olean
Panama	74.00	160—Josh Lancaster, Silver Creek
Campbell	71.50	171—Brandon Stearns, General McClane
Olean	70.00	189—Kane Smith, Salamanca
Randolph	62.00	215—Frank Zielinski, Fredonia
Oswayo-Valley	57.00	275—Ryan Turner, Canisteo
Allegany-Limestone	42.50	
Cattaraugus-Little Valley	36.00	
Westfield	16.00	
Champions		
96—Chris Conti, Fredonia		
103—Matt Metzler, Salamanca		
112—Ashton Osterberg, General McClane		