

Falconer leads 25 in school tourney:

LoPresto to semis in tourney

ST BONAVENTURE—Salamanca's Chris LoPresto has a tough match in today's semi-finals as the second annual Olean Jaycees Wrestling Tournament continues today at St. Bonaventure's

LoPresto won all three of his matches yesterday and goes against Doug Baer of Southwestern in today's semis. LoPresto was last year's 91 pound champ and Baer the titlist at 98 pounds.

Salamanca has one other wrestler, 126 pounder Dave Zariczny, still in contention

as he split his first two bouts and won twice in the wrestlebacks.

Team scores after the first day are: Falconer 84, Iroquois 78½, Southwestern 68½, Portville 67, Sweet Home 64½, Medina 58½, Medina 53½, Cassadaga Valley 53, Churchville-Chin 50½, Geneseo 48½, Kane 45, Orchard Park 38, Olean 37½, Cattaraugus 36, Kenmore East 34, Williamsville North 32½, Bradford 31½, Wellsville 30½, Dunkirk 25½, Allegany 23, Fredonia 22½, Salamanca 18½, Franklinville 17½, Olean Walsh 10 and Bolivar 6½.

"This is a doggone tough tournament," said direction and Salamanca coach George Whitcher, "as the competition is really fierce. But that is what we (Salamanca) need. We have really been hurt with our point losses.

LoPresto, at 105 pounds, decisioned VanHill of Orchard Park by 10-2, edged Mike Acquino of W. North by 9-8 and topped Kevin Worth of Olean by 7-3 in his first day bouts, picking up seven and one-half points for the Warriors.

Zariczny pinned Tom Moricca of Walsh in 46 seconds in his first bout but then lost by 4-3 to Steve McGee of W. North.

Zariczny then defeated Conti of Fredonia by 8-0 and pinned Aronica of Kenmore East in 4:22 in the wrestlebacks.

Jamie Reynolds, at 138 pounds, decisioned Steve McCoy of Cass. Valley by 12-2 in the first round and then lost to Tom Spehar of Bradford by 7-3. He then lost in the wrestlebacks to be eliminated.

Other Salamanca wrestlers are: Bernie Conlan at 112½ pounds who lost by 2-1 in overtime to Dan Routt of Sweet Home and dropped a 7-0 decision to Steve Rosas of Dunkirk; Jim Wilder at 132 who lost to Kevin Booth of Cattaraugus by 8-2; Dave Kosinski at 145 as he lost to John Lloyd of Southwestern and John Hickey of Olean; Don Stoeckel at 155 as he lost to Rod Hill of Cattaraugus and Dave McKinney of Kane; and Brett Lefford at 167 as he lost by default to Tod Hill of Cattaraugus and then was pinned by Dave Morianna of Medina.

Whitcher said the highlight of today's action is at 155 pounds as Robbie Parks of Walsh meets Jim Beichner of Cass. Valley. Parks was in last year's state qualifier while Beichner placed fifth in the states.

Eagles win consolation in overtime

DUKE CENTER, Pa.—Otto-Eldred downed Bradford Central Christian, 58-55, to win the ninth annual Otto-Eldred Christmas Basketball Tournament.

In the consolation game, Ellicottville went overtime to down Franklinville, 79-69.

Tourney MVP Doug Glenn led the hosts with 23 points, including three points in the final seconds, and scored 10 against Ellicottville Friday night.

His basket gave O-E the 56-55 lead and he then made a technical free throw as Bradford called a timeout with none left.

Ellicottville got double-figure scoring from five players as Dave Hellwig led the Eagles with 23 points while Jason Woodarek added 18, Mark Rivers 12, Dean Kent 11 and Chuck Curtis 10.

The team trailed by 18-10 after the first quarter, knotted the game at 35-all at the half and led by 47-44 after three quarters before Franklinville out-scored the Eagles, 21-18, in the final eight minutes to push the game into overtime.

Ellicottville's Hellwig scored the first three points of overtime as the Eagles

Two late Bonnie baskets edge Siena in Rochester