

Wrestlers Struggle

Like so many other Arcadia teams this season, the Titan Varsity Wrestling Team was plagued by injuries and never got untracked. The team was dealt its severest blow early in the season when senior Brian Needler had to undergo surgery and was lost for the year.

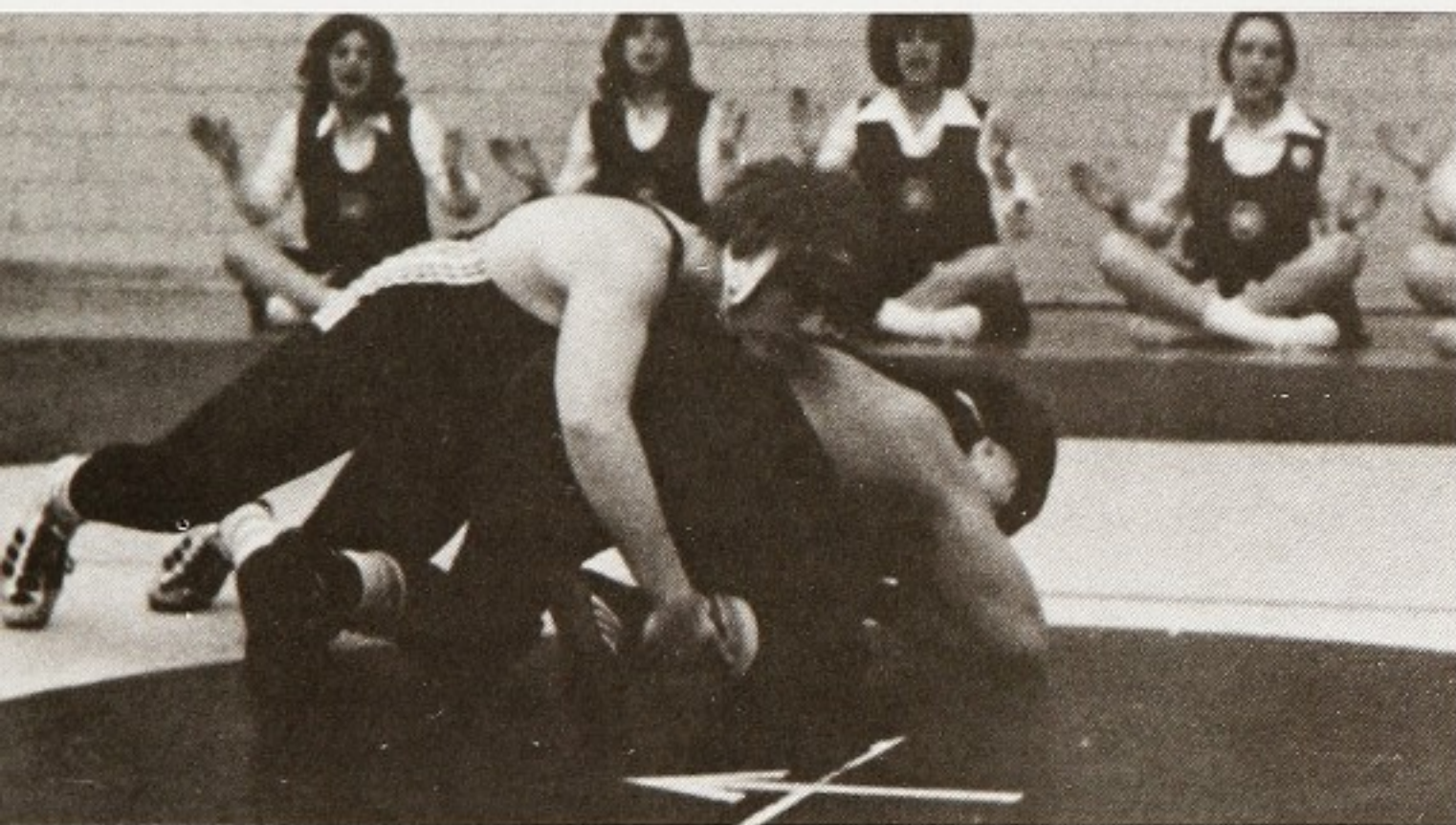
Seniors Mike Palumbo, Paul Brigandi, and Mike Fitzgibbon led the hard-working, spirited squad, but they were unable to overcome the obstacles confronting them.

A strong contingent of underclassmen, especially in the lower weight classes, improved through the season and give Coach Paul Menges confidence that Arcadia will return to the ranks of county wrestling powers in the near future.

Mark Kastner controls an opponent.

Chris Sherry gave the team unexpected help.

Freshman John Brigandi made a strong showing.



Varsity Wrestling: *Top Row:* Mike Fitzgibbon, Dave Bittlingmaier, Mike Palumbo, Paul Brigandi, Paul Menges, coach; Ray Scipioni, Grant Leschander, John Brigandi, Mark Kastner. *Row 2:* Mark Idler, Mike Seminatore, Bob DelDuca, Tom Sullivan, Mike Toal, Jim Pascucci, Jim Reisinger. *Bottom Row:* Brian Needler, Jim Toal, Mark Thieme, Rick Borcyk.

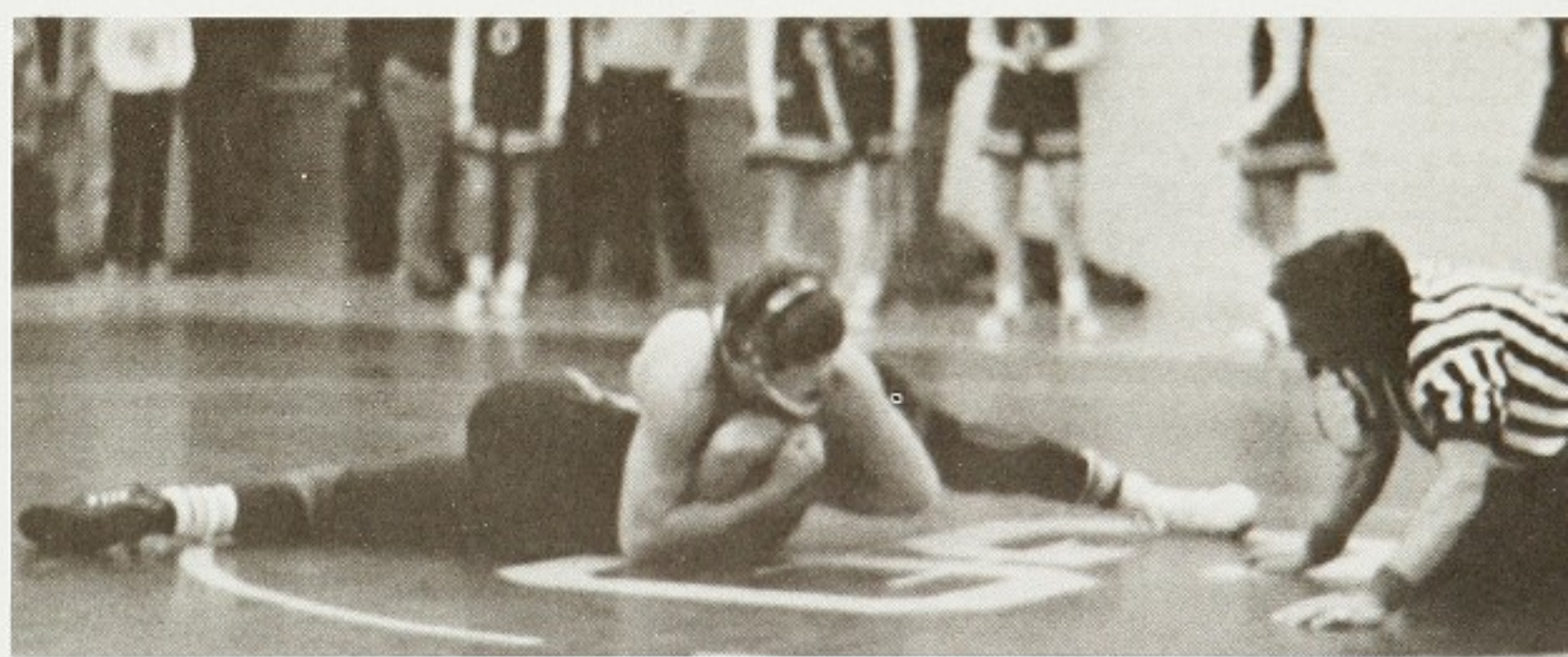
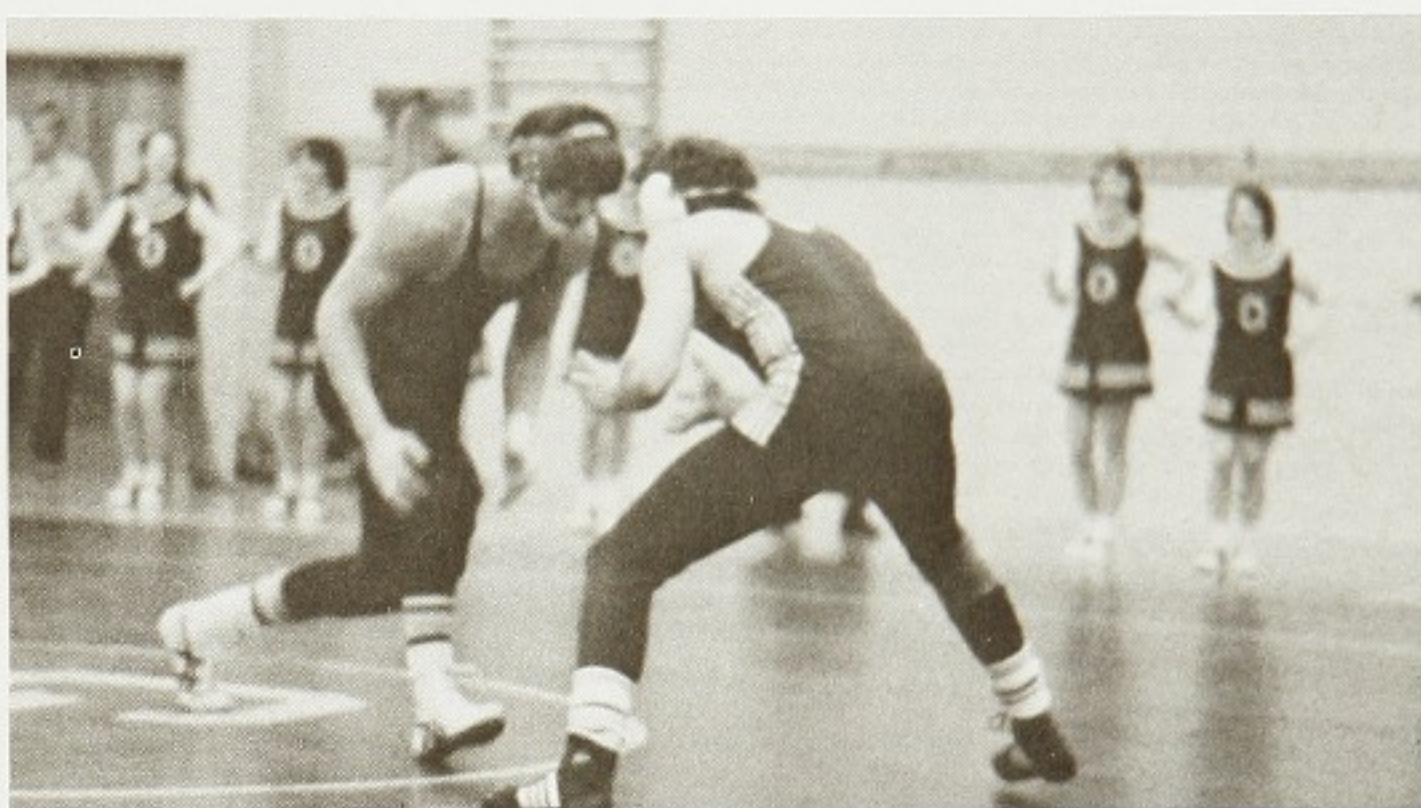
Coach Menges give Jim Pascucci between-period instructions.





J.V. Wrestling: *Top Row:* Brian Hartman, Tom Guenther, Joe Quirk, Bennie Barnard, Jeff Christy, Tom Sciolino, Rick DeClerk, Randy Schimmel, Scott LaRuez, Greg Stambach. *Row 2:* Mr. Alampi, coach, John Miller, Henry Pierlioni, Ron Foster, Jeff Smith, Joe DiBiase, Tony Carbone, Jeff Needler. *Bottom Row:* Andy Puleo, Todd Ellis, Chris Messollella, Mark Reynolds, John Haag, Mark Jones.

Paul Brigandi stalks his opponent, and below, has things well in hand.



With a 5-7 record, the J.V. Wrestling Squad finished the season, but the record doesn't show the pride and concentration developed by these younger Arcadians, through their coach John Alampi.

Arcadia J.V.'s most valuable wrestlers Chris Messollella, Todd Ellis, and Joe Quirk, along with outstanding newcomers Brian Hartman, Greg Stambach, and Scott LaRuez, with veterans Dave Bittlingmaier and Mark Kastner, added to the success of the team.

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Mike Palumbo was undefeated well into the season.

Sue Locke gets the story from the referee.