

Seedings set with 23 unbeaten:

Invitational is on with 13 schools ready to attend

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The weather isn't too bad, seedings are set and all schools are 'Go' for today's scheduled start of the eighth annual Salamanca Invitational Wrestling Tournament.

Tournament Director George Whitcher was in contact with all schools yesterday and, by late afternoon, all said they were still coming despite their schools being closed early yesterday in anticipation of a heavy winter storm. "The phone has just been ringing off the hook about the confusion," said Whitcher. "We will make a decision at 11 a.m. today (Friday) as to the status of the tournament so we will have enough time to contact all the schools."

"But as of yesterday (Thursday) afternoon," he added, "all the schools had contacted me and told me they were still planning to attend. The conditions in downtown Buffalo are not good but once you get out of the city, the roads pretty well are clear."

Predictions of the storm for this weekend have not come about, at least here in Cattaraugus County, and the snow has not materialized; or, if it has, the winds have been blowing it away so

the roads are not impassable but quite clear.

Last year, the Blizzard of '77 hit the Thursday before the tourney, slated for 21 teams, and just seven were able to show up. Whitcher and others involved in the tournament hope there is no repeat.

The eighth annual Salamanca Invitational Wrestling Tournament will get underway today at 6:30 p.m. with 13 of the 18 schools. As of 11 a.m. today, five schools had informed Tournament Director George Whitcher that they would not be able to attend as the schools were closed. Scratches include Pioneer, Churchville-Chili, Williamsville East, Frontier and Medina. All other 13 schools will be at the tourney.

As things shape up, a total of 23 unbeaten wrestlers (at least six wins) are entered while there are 32 with just one loss, 35 with two losses and 18 with three losses, making for one of the most outstanding tournaments ever put on in Salamanca.

The 18 teams scheduled to compete total around 190 wrestlers and the competition will be hot, hard and heavy if things come off as expected.

Teams entered are Allegany, Cattaraugus, Churchville-Chili, Frontier, Geneseo, Maple Grove, Medina, Notre Dame of Elmira, Olean, Pioneer, Portville, Salamanca, Southwestern, Sweet Home, Warsaw, Wellsville, Williamsville East and Xaverian.

Xaverian, of Brooklyn, drove in yesterday as the 16-team members traveled in a van the approximate nine-hour trip. They were here last year, arriving the day before the blizzard struck.

Whitcher set the seedings, using at least six bouts as a cut-off mark, and those with 3-0 or 5-1 marks were not included in the seedings.

Olean and Sweet Home each have three top seeded wrestlers while Salamanca and Pioneer each have two.

Listed first for Olean are Kevin Forrest (13-0) at 126 pounds, Chris Leichtweis (12-0) at 155 and Kirk Stephen (11-2) at 167.

Sweet Home's top rated wrestlers are John McHugh (15-0) at 105 pounds, Paul Reed (14-1) at 132 and Cedric Hinton (14-1) at 177.

Salamanca's top seeds are Marty Redeye (10-1) at heavyweight and Pete Lee (6-2) at unlimited. There are just six wrestlers in the unlimited class.

Rated first for Pioneer are Lee Friend (11-1) at 91 pounds and Tom Bennett (11-1) at 119.

The rest of the top seeds are: Charley Morley (13-0) of Medina at 98 pounds, Kevin Richard (10-0) of Geneseo at 112, Tim Hitchcock (13-0) of Notre Dame at 138 and Jon Swan (9-0) of Southwestern at 145.

Action gets underway today at 5:30 p.m. at the high school with action continuing Saturday throughout the day and finals slated for Saturday night.

Following are the top seeds in the 14 weight classes with high schools and seasons records listed:

91—Lee Friend (Pioneer) 11-1, Pat Hughes (Notre Dame) 11-2, Craig Weber (Sweet Home) 10-4, Dana Richard (Geneseo) 9-1, Paul Babinski (Williamsville East); 98—Charley Morley (Medina) 13-0, Jeff Bumberger (Ch-Chili) 12-2, Wayne Madrid (Cattaraugus) 8-0, Bill Hettrick (Maple Grove) 8-1, Dan Barnett (Wellsville) 7-1; 105—John McHugh (Sweet Home) 15-0, Clair Anderson (Olean) 11-0, Scott Sheehan (Notre Dame) 13-1, Tim Archer (Ch-Chili) 7-1, Rob DeFranco (Geneseo) 9-1; 112—Kevin Richard (Geneseo) 10-0, Dan Mason (Pioneer) 8-3, Andy Taylor (Olean) 7-0, Jim Babinski (Wm. East), Metzger Wilkin (Sweet Home) 10-4; 119—Tom Bennett (Pioneer) 11-1, Kevin McNulty (Wm East) 15-0, Eric Simpson (Olean) 10-0, David Tolnay (Sweet Home) 10-5, Tracy Dunkentell (Medina) 5-2; 126—Kevin Forrest (Olean) 13-0, Dave Sanders (Pioneer) 11-1, Mark Hitchcock (Notre Dame) 12-2, Paul Richard (Geneseo) 8-1, Neil Thomas (Ch-Chili) 9-1; 132—Paul Reed (Sweet Home) 14-1, Steve Pancio (Olean) 7-0, Tom Bennett (Pioneer) 10-2, Edwin Weingart (Notre Dame) 8-3-1, Pete Hainey (Geneseo) 6-0; 138—Tim Hitchcock (Notre Dame) 13-0, Bill Breon (Ch-Chili) 10-3, Mitch Hiller (Warsaw) 6-0, Bill Thomas (Olean) 8-2, Greg Gagliotti (Xaverian) 11-0; 145—Jon Swan (Southwestern) 9-0, Bob Vogel (Sweet Home) 7-0-2, David Dean (Medina) 12-2, Shawn Hughes (Geneseo) 9-1, Chris Lambert (Xaverian) 6-1; 155—Chris Leichtweis (Olean) 12-0, Joe Mandala (Xaverian) 11-0, Jerry Cordier (Notre Dame) 13-1, Jeff Crisafulli (Allegany) 9-0, Steve Denner (Ch-Chili) 11-1; 167—Kirk Stephen (Olean) 11-2, Curtis DeLaughter (Ch-Chili) 10-2, Mark Jaekle (Portville) 10-2, Gene Calucci (Xaverian) 9-2, Jack McCall (Maple Grove) 8-2; 177—Cedric Hinton (Sweet Home) 14-1, Rick Fie (Olean) 10-1-1, Joel Crisafulli (Allegany) 10-1-1, Chris Smith (Notre Dame) 10-4, Dave Yoff (Warsaw) 5-1; HWT—Marty Redeye (Salamanca) 10-1, Doug Wheeler (Ch-Chili) 10-2, Karl Barne (Medina) 9-1-1, Rob Braymiller (Pioneer) 9-3, Toner (Southwestern) 4-1; UNL—Pete Lee (Salamanca) 6-2, Jim Colburn (Ch-Chili) 3-1.



WHO NEXT? — Tournament Director George Whitcher ponders over the list of wrestlers as he seeded those entered in the eighth annual Salamanca Invitational Wrestling Tournament. Whitcher used six matches as a cut-off point for the seeded wrestlers. Tournament action gets started at 6:30 p.m. (Press Staff Photo)

DeGaine rolls a 588; Central Lanes leads

Sally DeGaine's 588 total set a league record in the Ladies Wednesday Night bowling league at Central Lanes. Central lost three points to Curtis but leads by nine points.

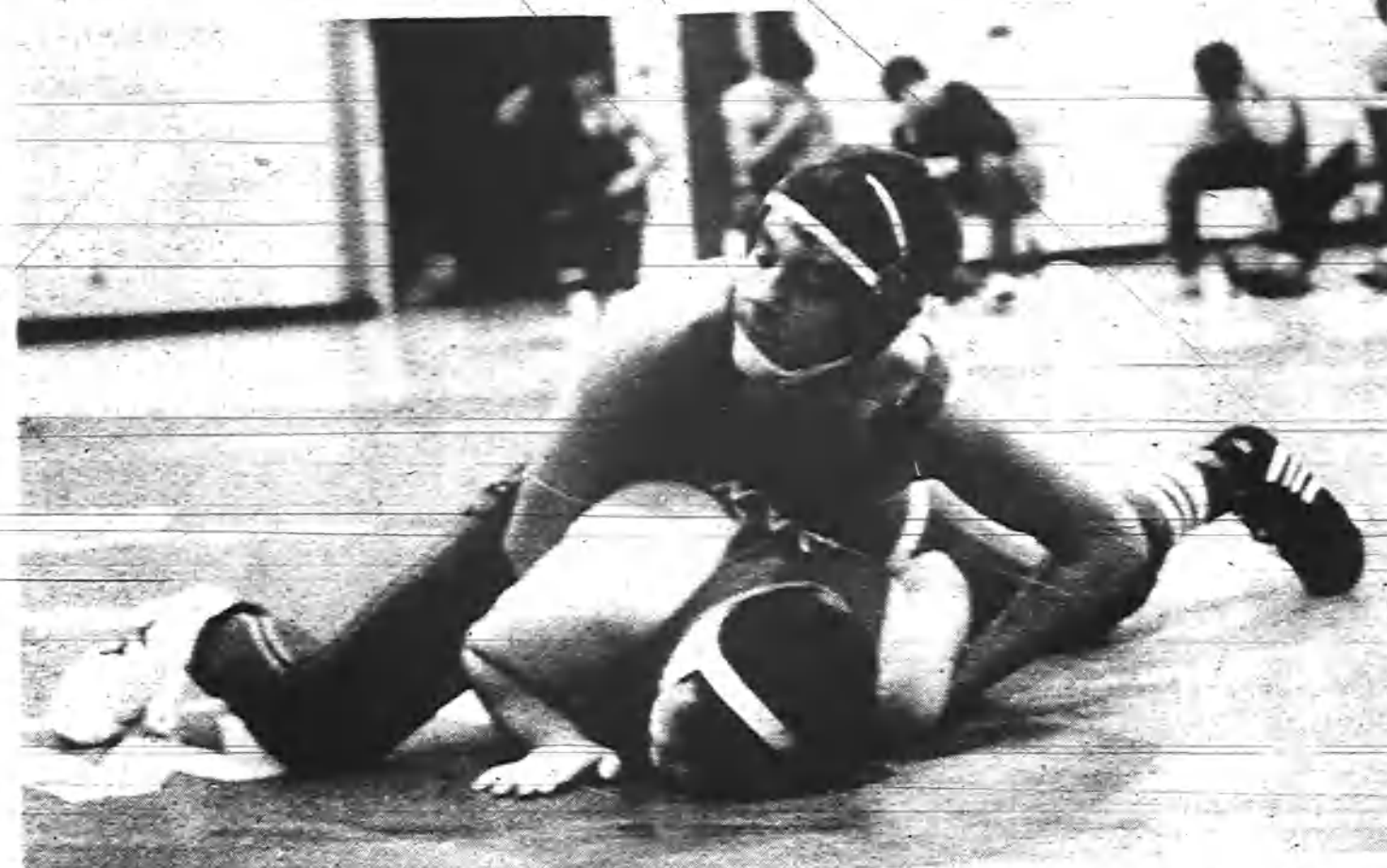
Lyon's trails by one in LV Wed. Classic

LITTLE VALLEY—Lyon's Equipment moved to within one point of first place Ceils Hotel in the Wednesday Night Classic bowling league at Golden Pin Lanes.

	W	L
Ceils Hotel	56	28
Lyon's Equipment	55	29
Champion International	50 1/2	33 1/2
Merow Hardware	50	34
Otto Hotel	44 1/2	39 1/2

	W	L
Central Lanes	61	23
Curtis	52	32
Sala Ford Motors	49	35
Ficst Trust Union	46	38
Biscup's True Value	45	39
Milks Pharmacy	43	41
Olean Signs	39 1/2	40 1/2
Rife Aid Pharmacy	37 1/2	46 1/2
La Belles	35 1/2	48 1/2
Shirl's Girls	34 1/2	49 1/2
Style Room	28	52
Sala Trust Co.	29	55

	W	L
Biscup's True Value 4		2069
High single: Grace Auge 198		
High total: Grace Auge 555		
La Belles 0		1847
High single: Ruth Deppa 187		
High total: Nancy Wogick 453		
Milk's Pharmacy 2		2151
High single: Anita Oylar 170		
High total: Anita Oylar 470		
Style Room 2		2149
High single: Pam Lapey 162		
High total: Pam Lapey 450		



SALAMANCA TOP SEEDED — Salamanca sophomore Marty Redeye, shown here in a recent match, is seeded first among the heavyweight wrestlers for today's start of the Salamanca Invitational Wrestling

Tournament. The Warrior co-captain brings a 10-1 mark into the 13-team tourney. (Press Staff Photo)

'Worst team' trips Sabres by 2-1

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BUFFALO — It was by far not a happy night last night for the 7,503 brave souls who fought the inclement weather to witness the Buffalo Sabres losing to the Minnesota North Stars, 2-1.

It took a second-string goaltender who had never won in the NHL, playing for the team with the worst record in the league, to knock Buffalo even further behind the Boston Bruins in their Adams Division race.

Boosters pick Duhan, Earley as top athletes

Dolores Duhan and Jeff Earley were named as athletes of the week as the Salamanca Warrior Sports Booster Club held its weekly meeting last night. Duhan was selected for her work in

while Earley was picked for his wrestling.

Duhan keyed the Sallies to a 49-43 victory as she led the team with 18 rebounds on the night. She also contributed two points in the victory.

Earley won his second varsity match in three tries as he pinned Falconer's John Gatto in 5:38 this week. The freshman has two pins in three matches after being called up to fill in the varsity due to an injury.

Salamanca-Olean game postponed last night

Last night's scheduled basketball game with Salamanca at Olean was postponed in anticipation of the predicted winds and snow.

The game has not been re-scheduled as of yet and it was a combined CCIAC and Expressway Conference

Paul Harrison made his sixth appearance of the season in goal for the North Stars and used second and third period goals by his team to record his first victory.

En route to being selected the first star of the game, Harrison made some brilliant stops against the Sabres, especially during the third period, to make his goal lead stand up.

Late in the first period, at 18:17, Don Luce and Danny Gare set up Craig Ramsay for his 15th goal of the season. After gaining control of the puck from Gare, Luce tipped a shot wide of Harrison in the Minnesota net. Racing in, Luce picked up the rebound and passed out to Ramsay all alone in front of the net. That was to turn out to be Buffalo's main highlight last night.

After one period of play, Minnesota led in shots on goal, 11-8.

The North Stars picked up a goal in each of the last two periods to pick up the victory.

In the second period, Buffalo began turning the pressure around on Minnesota, but couldn't complete their plays.

At 5:35 of the period, Roland E. knotted the score at one-all. With the Sabres Richard Martin controlling the puck in the Minnesota zone, Nick Beverly knocked the puck off his stick. Eriksson picked up the puck and had a clear break-away all the way from the red line at center ice. After several dekes, Eriksson beat goalie Don Edwards for his 15 goal of the season.

That was the only scoring of the

Scotty's trails by one

in Good Sports league

Scotty's Cake Shop took three points to move to within one of first place Sonny's Body Shop in the Good Sports bowling league at Central Lanes.

	W	L
Sonny's Body Shop	56	28
Scotty's Cake Shop	55	29
Pub's Pussy Kats	51	33
Hi Lighters	37	47
Norton Land Co.	36	48
Rush Operators	36	48

period but the hitting began to pick up as players began using body checks to pick the game. By the end of the period, Buffalo had out-shot the North Stars, 12-10, but still trailed in total shots, 21-20.

For the first half of the last period, Buffalo pressured the Stars but couldn't beat Harrison.

At 9:56, Lee Fogolin was sent off for elbowing and Minnesota put the penalty to good use. Less than a minute later, at 10:46, Ter-olov Braser scored the game-winning goal. Kent-Erik Anderson and Eriksson combined for the assists, and dropped the puck over to Braser, all alone, in front of Edwards, for his 11th tally of the season.

Even though the Sabres couldn't score, the last few minutes of the game were full of action.

Danny Gare picked up three penalties after a shoving match with Jimmy Roberts. Gare was called for two minutes for roughing, two minutes for unsportsmanlike conduct and a 10-minute misconduct.

By the time the Sabres were back at to play.

In the last 1:30, the Sabres had chance after chance. When they finally pulled Edwards out of goal to get an extra attacker, with 49 seconds left to play, a shot by Luce just went over the crossbar. Several shots went wide and Harrison smothered several shots to preserve his victory.

Final shots on goal ended at Buffalo 35, Minnesota 29.

The North Stars victory was the first time they had won in Buffalo since Oct. 17, 1971. They came into the game sporting the worst record in the NHL, only winning nine, losing 30 and tying five.

The Sabres had been undefeated in their last 13 games at home.

Coupled with the Sabres loss, the Boston Bruins defeated the Colorado Rockies, 4-3, to increase their lead to three points over the Sabres with both teams having played 46 games.