

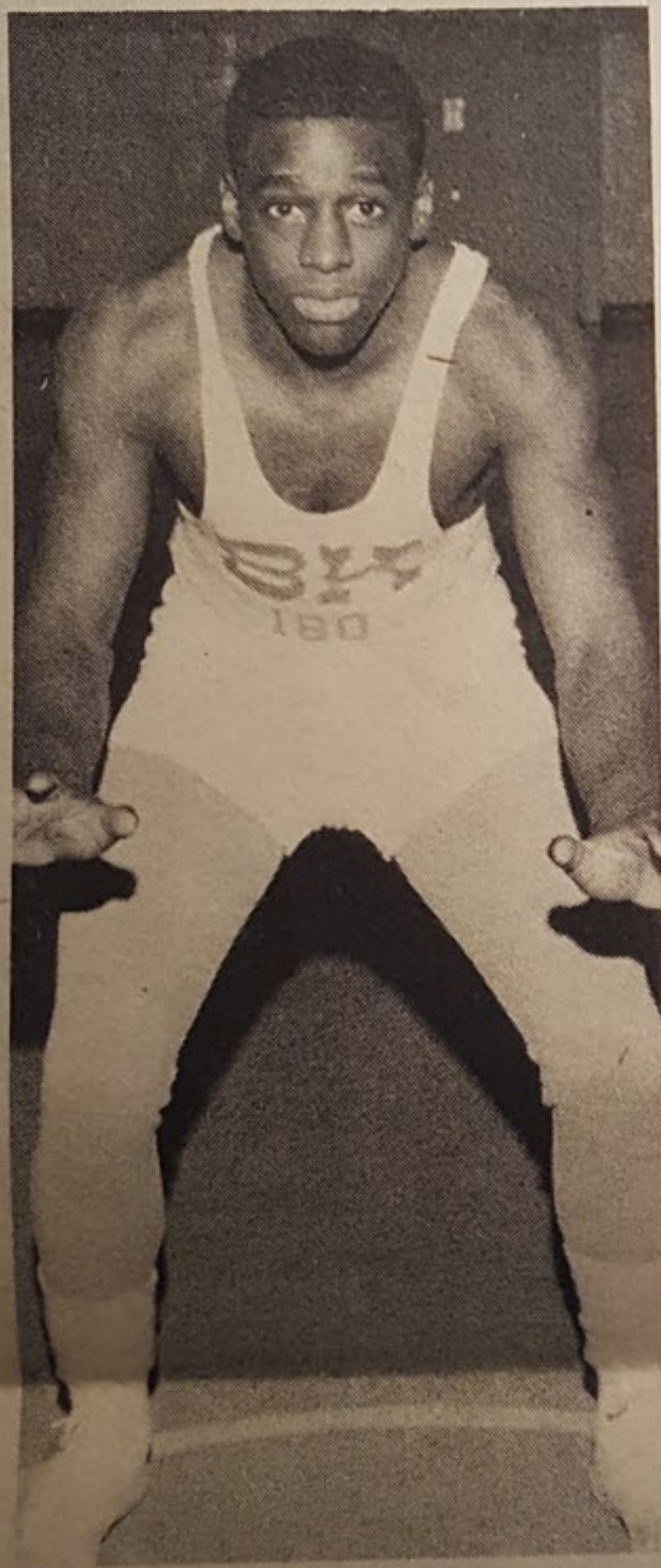
Kearney grapplers:

3 state champs in '71

Wrestling is another sport in which Bishop Kearney has won a good number of individual and team honors over the years. The sport was begun with a frosh team in 1962-63 under the direction of the school's first athletic director, Walter Teike.

His grapplers moved up to the junior varsity level for the first two meets of the 1963-64 season but after these moved up to and remained at the varsity level. This was despite having only freshmen and sophomores in the lineup.

The first varsity meet for the matmen was a hard-fought 32-22 win over Notre Dame of Batavia. The first varsity loss for the Kings came at the hands of McQuaid later in the season. The score was 24-21 and the winner was decided in the final match of the meet.



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The Kings finished their first varsity season with an overall record of 9-3-2. The highlight of the year was placing second in BK's first Catholic Tournament. St. Mary's of Lancaster was the only team to outscore the host school, which produced five individual champions: Gene Oberst, Tom Ciaccio, Tony Mangione, Dan Oberst, and Tom Bailey.

Teike's matmen opened their 1964-65 campaign with a 44-6 win over Marshall. The team came from an eighth place finish a year earlier to a fourth place finish in the Eastridge Tournament, and had Dan Oberst and Bailey as champions. BK won the

second annual Catholic Tournament and had Pat Walsh, Gene Oberst, Ciaccio, Greg Brown, Dan Oberst, and Bailey as individual winners.

Terry Mather became head coach for the 1965-66 season and guided his team to a 10-2 meet record and team championships of the Eastridge and Catholic Tournaments. The grapplers finished second in the tough Leo Tournament in Chicago. The Kings won the unofficial town title by winning meets over Eastridge, 26-16, and Irondequoit, 25-15. At the conclusion of the season, Dan Oberst and Tom Bailey were named to the 1966 high school All-American team.

Mather's matmen finished 12-1-1 in the 1966-67 campaign and successfully defended the Eastridge and Catholic Tournament titles. In the latter, the Kings had no fewer than eight individual winners: Walsh, Ciaccio, Gene Oberst, Art Rogers, Brown, John Numetko, LaVerne Dickinson, and Tony Joy. Walsh, Ciaccio, Oberst, and Brown were also winners in the Eastridge Tournament. Pete Scott and Rick Palmer were other key members of this team, which opened its season with a 50-0 trouncing of Wayne Central.

The 1967-68 matmen captured the Catholic Tournament title for the Kings once again. Walsh was unbeaten all year but the team wound up with an 11-4 record. Walsh and Palmer were co-captains.

Brian Chadwick took over as head coach in the 1968-69 season and guided his wrestlers to a 9-3 record. The team downed Eastridge, 23-19, in the biggest win of the year with Dennis Monacell gaining a key pin. Tom McDonald and Don Germano were other top performers during the course of the season, as were Paul Williams and Lou Alano.

The 1969-70 season was a disappointment, with a 6-7-1 overall record and a 6-4-1 league mark. In spite of this, good performances came from grapplers like Williams, Jerry Kieliszak, Steve Oberst, Bob Walsh, Rick Barry, Dan Graham, and Steve Marafino, making it an exciting winter for the Kearney mat fans.

Chadwick's 1970-71 team finished 8-4 with a 30-14 win over Madison as the big highlight. In addition, the trio of Mike O'Connell, Barry, and Pat Coughlin came out as individual winners of the New York State Catholic Tournament held in Syracuse. Other key members of the team included Marafino, Dave DiRaimo, Jerry Oberst, Bill Welch, and Frank Valente.

Since this most recent team had a lot of underclassmen on it, the Kearney mat squad for the 1971-72 season is expected to be one of the best in recent years.

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Coach George Joseph Bishop Kearney's first team competing at the varsity level in 1963 that ers won all of their g finance a steak dinner of the season. The 8-0, aided by the scor of Bob Cupello and goaltending by Ken Roe

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Mather's 1966 sq

Swimming

short-lived

Many people are the fact that Bishop to include swimmin interscholastic sport

The sport was in BK in 1965-66 with Luchini acting as he finmen lost their fi a 61-36 score to picked up the school win a meet later o Olympia, 48-47. Th had two other meets a win over Jefferso to East Rochester, all even with a 4-4 m Stan Erdle of Ea over as head coach

