

# Wrestlers End An Era

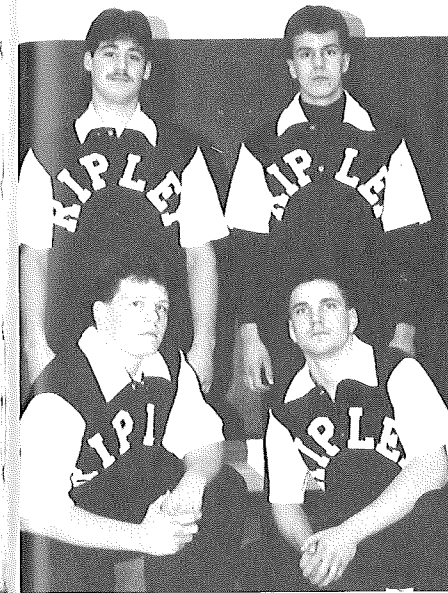
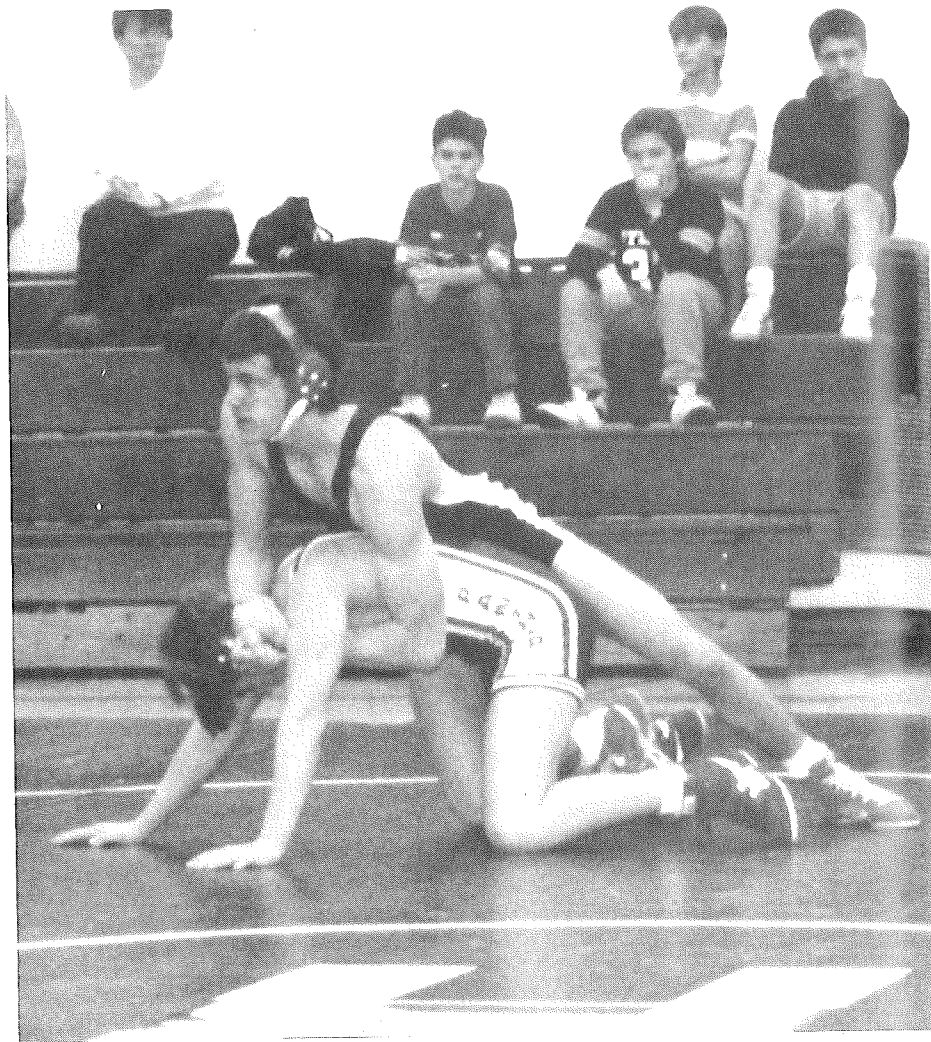
The Ripley Wrestling team this year ended an era. Coach John Carleton, after coaching for 15 years, announced that he would not assume the responsibility next year. He looked back favorably on his last year.

Mike Gresh grappled his way to his 100th career victory in a match against Cassadaga. Ken Bearce also proved to be a bright spot. It was necessary for him to have a good match if the team would have any chance of a Division title. He finished with a record of 19-7.

Seniors Shawn Babcock, Ken Bearce, Mike Gresh, Eric Helman and Don Rammelt gave a great deal of spirit to the team. Eric Helman and Mike Gresh were named MVP's.

The wrestling team appears to have a strong future with talented underclassmen Ken Rowe, Darin Rammelt, and Jeremy Zeigler.

Coach Carleton commented, "I've appreciated the opportunity to coach. The support from fans and parents was incredible."



(opposite) Eric Helman, one of the co-captains, finished the season with a record of 26-6-1 and earned an MVP award.

(far left) Senior Captains: (front) Shawn Babcock, Mike Gresh (back) Don Rammelt, Eric Helman.

The wrestling cheerleaders greeted their fans at a home match with their "Hello" cheer.

(below) Ken Rowe, a freshman, had another impressive season. He has great potential for his future years on the team.

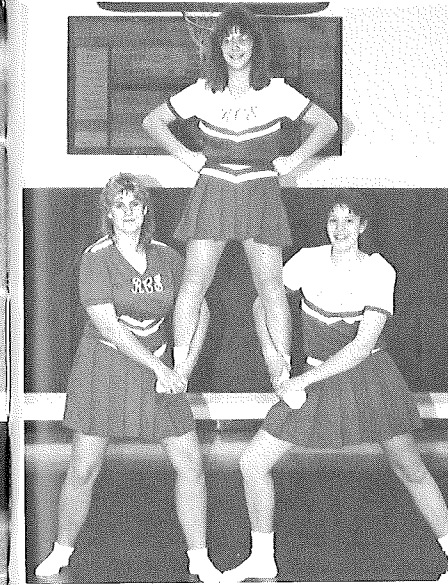
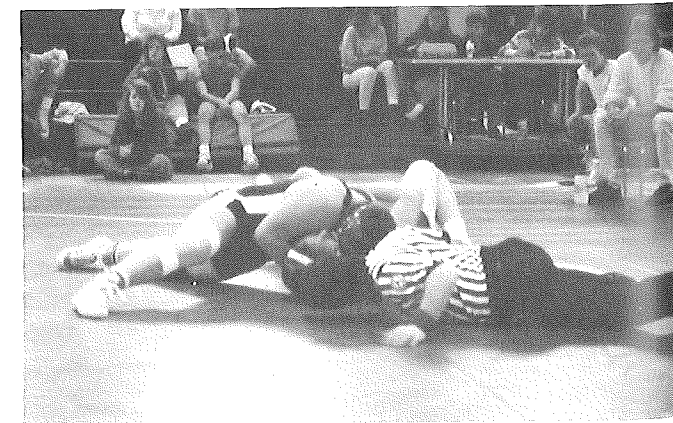
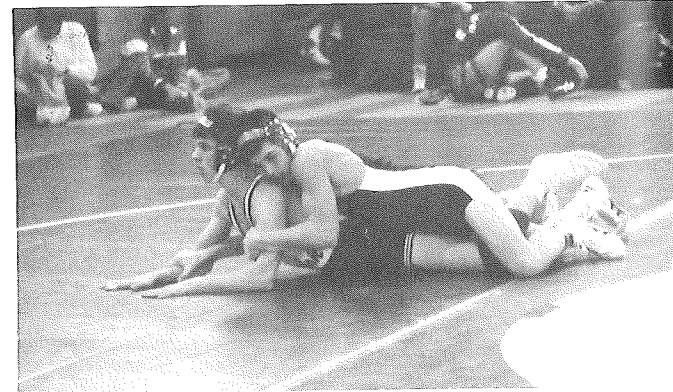
(far Below) Mark Irvin struggled to pin his opponent in a match against Pine Valley.



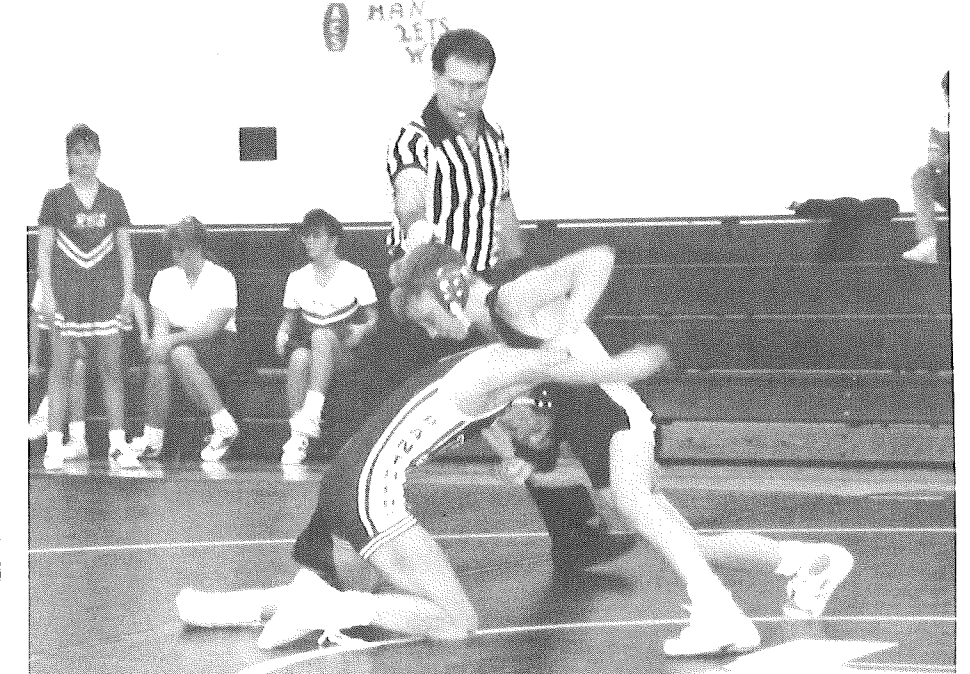
Varsity Cheerleaders: (front) Holly Bowman, Lisa Finn (row 2) Sandi Garske, Marie Gorton (top) Jill Brown.

Darin Rammelt had an impressive season as a 7th grader.

Shawn Babcock, a senior on the team, overcame a knee injury to finish with an impressive season.



JV Cheerleaders: Anna Blackman, Autumn Utegg, Carla McCutcheon.



Wrestling Team: (front) Dan Kopta, Matt Probst, Jeremy Zeigler, Ken Rowe, Darin Rammelt, Peter Dorman, (back) Coach Carleton, Mike Gresh, Don Rammelt, Mark Irvin, Eric Helman, Shawn Babcock, Coach Freliegh

