

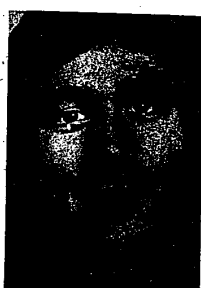
# Farmington matmen top O&E team



JIM COTTER  
N. Farmington



PAUL CRACKNELL  
Rochester Adams



BRIAN FAUDMAN  
W. Bloomfield



JOHN SEGULA  
B.H. Lahser



PAT PALAJAC  
Harrison



JEFF BERNIA  
Harrison



KEN BURMAN  
Country Day



SCOTT HAZEN  
Farmington



LUIGI MILANI  
Farmington



JERRY BISHOP  
Harrison



JOHN FISHER  
Rochester



DAN BURGESS  
Rochester Adams

By BRAD EDMONS

This year's Observer and Eccentric All-Area wrestling team racked up some impressive credentials. This team represents some of the top matmen in the state.

KEN BERMAN of Detroit Country Day won the state championship in Class D as a sophomore. The 28-pounder finished with a 25-6 record while capturing the Metro Conference, regional and Birmingham-Bloomfield Invitational crowns.

His elder brother, Ron, won a state Class C championship at 98 pounds, wrestling for the Yellow Jackets.

"Ken will probably be a 105-pounder next year," said Country Day coach John Campbell, whose team finished second in the state.

JOHN FISHER of Rochester also earned some impressive plaids during his senior season. The Greater Oakland League 105 pound champ compiled a 95-13 career mark. He was 38-3 this season with two

of the losses coming against tough Mark Catlin of Warren Lincoln. The Rochester standout took fifth in the state Class A meet.

JOHN SEGULA of Bloomfield Hills Lahser showed consistency all season long at 112 pounds.

Under the coaching of Al Kehl, Segula won 38 of 43 matches as a junior. He was first in the district, third in the regional and placed sixth in the state meet. He has a 75-12 lifetime mark and wrestles year-round. This spring he hopes to qualify for the National AAU freestyle training camp. He carries a B average in the classroom.

ROB PARENT of Southfield-Lathrup was selected by area coaches in the 119-pound weight division.

In a close vote he edged out Rochester Adams' Keith Masters and Avondale state champion (Class B) Juan Arellano.

Parent was 53-3 his senior year and was 164-14 in four years. The Lathrup star holds a national record with 164 career wins.

Parent was second in the Class A state meet, losing a close match to Joe Justin of Belleville, 13-12. He won the district and placed third in the regional. Parent won 33 straight matches this year.

PAT PALAJAC of Farmington Harrison, a senior, was picked by the coaches in the 125-pound division. He was 41-7 overall this year and was Western Six League champ and placed third in the Oakland County Invitational.

Palajac, fourth at the Schoolcraft Invitational, plans to attend Michigan State as a walk-on wrestler.

JEFF BERNIA of Farmington Harrison gained all-area recognition at 132 pounds.

He was 44-5 this year and won three straight Western Six League titles. He was also district and regional champ, placed second at Schoolcraft and Oak-

land County meets and won one of three matches at the state Class A meet despite a viral infection. Bernia plans to attend the University of Michigan.

LOU MILANI of Farmington holds down the 138-pound first team spot. Milani finished with a 41-10 mark and has a district Class A crown to his credit. He was second in the regionals, losing in the finals to Lex Roy of Detroit Catholic Central, the defending state champ.

Against Roy, Milani gained a 2-2 tie but because of more takedowns, Roy won the match on judges' decision in the regional final.

The Farmington senior plans to attend Michigan.

JIM COTTER, a senior from North Farmington, was the top finisher in the state from the Farmington area.

The 145-pounder placed fourth in the state, won the Northwest Suburban League crown besides gaining a district title.

He lost in the regional finals to Ann Arbor Huron's Tim Fagan, 6-2.

JERRY BISHOP becomes the third Farmington Harrison wrestler to make the first team.

Bishop, a senior, was 30-6 overall at 155 pounds. He was fifth in the Oakland County Invitational and sixth at Schoolcraft where he broke his rib which hampered his performance for the rest of the season. He still managed to win the Western Six title and place fourth in the regional.

He is undecided about which college he will attend.

BRIAN FAUDMAN of West Bloomfield was one of the top wrestlers at 165 pounds in the Greater Oakland Activities League.

He placed in the district, regional and went to the state Class A meet in the Kalamazoo.

Despite a poor team record, Faudman was able to establish himself as one of the top wrestlers in his weight class in southeastern Michigan. He was coached by Larry Bridgewater.

DAN BURGESS of Rochester Adams piled up an impressive record in his senior season before being felled with blood poisoning.

Burgess, at 178 pounds, had a 31-0 record and 24 pins before being set back with an injury right before the district meet.

Burgess managed to bounce back and compile a 3-2-2 mark in state competition.

"He was completely out for two weeks and could have won the state but just wasn't physically able," said Adams coach Kent Ballo.

"He's a super kid and a 3.85 student," said Ballo.

An all-conference performer in football as well as wrestling, Burgess is deciding between Alma, Notre Dame and Yale.

Burgess, who had 25 pins this season, reportedly wants to wrestle heavy-weight in college.

PAUL CRACKNELL is the second Rochester Adams to gain first-team honors.

The 191-pounder was 38-9 overall and placed sixth in the Class A state meet at Kalamazoo. In just two years, Cracknell accumulated a formidable 71-15 record.

A two-time Metro Suburban League champ, Cracknell won the district and placed second in the regional.

"Paul is a natural athlete, is quick and has good mat sense," said Ballo.

SCOTT HAZEN OF Farmington was named by area coaches as the best heavy-weight.

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Hazen, a senior, finished 38-4 overall and was second in the district and regional while placing fifth in Class A.

Hazen had a long battle this season with Chuck Gannon of Ypsilanti.

The Farmington standout beat Gannon first two meetings but lost to him in the district finals, regional finals and at state.

Hazen was 30-6 going into the districts and won the league, Schoolcraft and Oakland County titles.

His win at Schoolcraft gave Farmington the team championship.

Hazen was part of the AAU team that toured Europe last summer. He won the AAU Junior Olympics crown last summer and will attend Michigan Tech on a full ride scholarship in the fall.

DON DETTER of Farmington was selected by his peers as coach of the year.

Farmington compiled a 16-1 dual meet mark under Detter. His tea lost only to Hazel Park. Detter's wrestlers won the Inter-Lakes League title and the Schoolcraft Invitational.

Before coming over to Farmington in his first season, Detter had previously coached 11 years at Power Junior High where he still teaches.

"I've coached just about everything. Coaches are hard to find, I guess," said Detter.

"When this job opened, some of my old wrestlers came over and asked me if I'd do it," he explained.

"This (being selected coach of the year) just puts the frosting on the



ROB PARENT  
Southfield-Lathrup

cake," said Detter.

A graduate of Findlay College (Ohio), Detter gives a lot of credit to his assistant — Paul Oestroski.

"Paul deserves as much credit as I do," said Detter. "We were actually co-coaches. He's really a technician."

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### O&E's All-Area wrestlers

FIRST TEAM — Len Berman, Detroit Country Day, 98; John Fisher, Rochester, 105; John Segula, Bloomfield Hills Lahser, 112; Rob Parent, Southfield-Lathrup, 119; Pat Palajac, Farmington Harrison, 125; Jeff Bernia, Farmington, 132; Lou Milani, Farmington, 138; Jim Cotter, North Farmington, 145; Jerry Bishop, Farmington Harrison, 155; Brian Faudman, West Bloomfield, 165; Dan Burgess, Rochester Adams, 178; Paul Cracknell, Rochester Adams, 191; Scott Hazen, Farmington, heavyweight.

SECOND TEAM — Mark Fine, Southfield, 98; Marty Moran, Bloomfield Hills Lahser, 105; Mark Weiner, Detroit Country Day, 112; Keith Masters, Rochester Adams, 119; Dave Matber, Avondale, and Glenn Clark, Detroit Country Day (tie), 126; Stan Cross, Bloomfield Hills Lahser, 132; Dave Walsh, Rochester Adams, 138; Jeff Fagan, Farmington, 145; Ted Jacob, Rochester Adams, 155; Gary Allen, Avondale, 165; Dean Wolf, Southfield-Lathrup, 178; Eric Eggenberger, Bloomfield Hills Lahser, 191; Stu Hixon, Birmingham Groves, heavyweight.

HONORABLE MENTION — 88 pounds: Andy Tucker, West Bloomfield; Dave Denny, Farmington; Steve Kremer, Southfield-Lathrup; Dreux Nelson, Birmingham Brother Rice; Curt Coughlin, Troy Athens; Meyer, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook.

105 pounds: Chuck Rutledge, Troy Athens; Mike Cunningham, Birmingham Seaholm; Paul McKinnis, North Farmington.

112 pounds: Mike McKinnis, Avondale; John Murphy, Farmington.

119 pounds: Juan Arellano, Avondale; Marc Kormnesser, Detroit Country Day; Phil Palajac, Farmington Harrison.

126 pounds: Jim Kern, Birmingham Brother Rice; Jeff Dumas, Bloomfield Hills Lahser; Willie LeClark, Troy.

132 pounds: Bob Keyes, Troy Athens; Dennis Brown, Avondale; Bill Sutton, Bloomfield Hills Lahser; Mike Thomas, Troy; Mike Kanaly, Southfield.

138 pounds: Ed Valentine, Detroit Country Day; Bruce Bettley, Troy Athens; Dave Fagon, Rochester Adams; Ben Peach, Southfield-Lathrup.

145 pounds: Richard Thompson, Rochester Adams; Gary Spillman, Troy Athens; Jeff McNeave, Rochester; Phil Stern, Detroit Country Day.

155 pounds: John Toth, Avondale; Joe Linklater, Birmingham Groves; Steve Zerla, Rochester; Dale Raar, Birmingham Seaholm; Kevin Kriebel, Bloomfield Hills Lahser.

165 pounds: Matt Kennedy, Birmingham Groves; Jim Steiner, Farmington; Jeff Heck, Rochester Adams; George Schultz, Southfield-Lathrup; Jim Martin, Troy Athens.

178 pounds: Larry Parker, Avondale; Gregg Lemanski, Farmington; Kurt Peterson, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook; Larry Weathers, Rochester.

191 pounds: Mike Silverstein, Southfield; Eric Karasas, Farmington Harrison; Nadam Kassab, Southfield-Lathrup; Roger Erickson, Troy Athens.