

Schoolcraft Expands Varsity Sports To 11 Teams

"Schoolcraft College is on the move in sports" was the statement of Athletic Director Marvin Gans as he announced expansion of the college's program to eight varsity teams for men and three for women. The expansion announcement was made at the winter sports award dinner at which letters were awarded for men's basketball and swimming.

"The opening of the new physical education facility next fall enables Schoolcraft to expand its athletic programs," Gans said. "We have been unable to move in this direction previously because of lack of suitable facilities for college teams."

With the start of the 1970-71 college year, Schoolcraft will field teams in eight sports for men including: cross country, soccer, swimming, basketball, wrestling, golf, tennis and baseball. There will be three varsity sports for women: field hockey, volleyball and basketball.

"Since Schoolcraft is operating on the trimester plan, we probably will run into some difficulties with sports schedules continuing beyond the college term," Gans explained. "But the same situation exists at all college and universities operating under the same plan and we know we'll be able to iron out scheduling."

N. Farmington, Sorrows Top All-Area

BY GEORGE MASKIN
Observer Sports Editor
The days when wrestling was a minor sport in Michigan high schools have vanished. Time was, not too long ago, when a few schools sponsored the sport.

Now just about every school has varsity wrestling as reflected in Observerland where 15 of the 16 high schools announced sponsor mat teams.

Interest in these teams has mounted sharply. From a scattering fans, jammed through

now turn out for matches.

THE RECENT state Class A finals were held at Trenton High School. More than 4,000 attended. Others were turned away.

It's now expected that next year's state finals will be held in a college fieldhouse, probably at Michigan or Michigan State.

The 1969-70 competition which just ended was one of the finest ever seen on an Observerland standpoint.

Our Lady of Sorrows

emerged as the state's Class C-D champion. Farmington, Redford Union, and Sorrows all had banner dual meet seasons.

Two area prep won state titles. Others were runnersup and placed third and fourth. Several won district and regional laurels.

IN RECOGNITION of the great season, the Observer announces its 1969-70 all-star team.

A four man coaching panel directed by Larry Fortner of Redford Union supervised the

selections. He was assisted by Ralph Tenby of North Farmington, Bob Lusk of John Glenn and Greg Doty of Sorrows.

"The state's strength in high school wrestling has shifted from the Lansing area to the Detroit area," said Fortner in announcing the selections.

"We have most of the power now down here in the greater Detroit area. It's a happy situation."

OBSERVER'S ALL-STAR TEAM

98 pounds
Ken Haller, North Farmington. A junior. He won 33 and lost two during the last two seasons.

107 pounds
Dennis Campbell, Redford Union. A 10th grader. Winner of 37 against five losses and one tie. Won district and regional, placed third in state Class A meet.

115 pounds
Rick Stewart, Garden City West. A 12th grader. State Class A champion; also district

and regional titlist. Boasts 39-1 record.

123 pounds
Tom Toohy, North Farmington. A senior. Overall record of 38-2. Second in district, fourth in regional.

130 pounds
Charles Young, John Glenn. A junior. District champ, third in regional, had 13-3 record.

137 pounds
Pat Kern, Our Lady of Sorrows. Senior. Regional champ, runnerup for state Class C-D title. Overall 20-1 record.

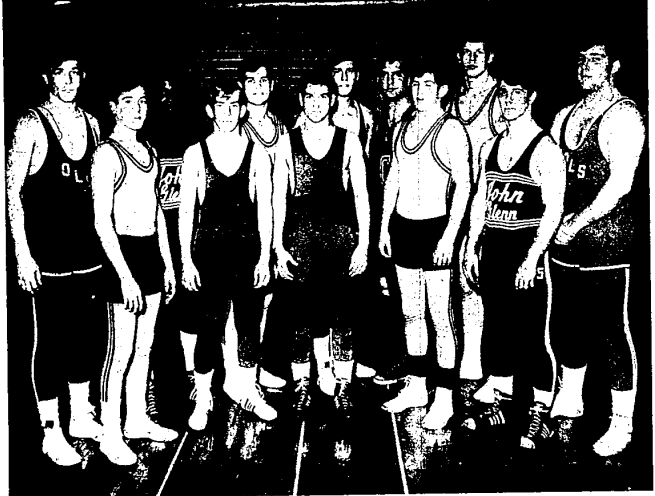
Dads Start Booster Club At Bentley

Dads of Bentley High athletes and students have formed a boosters' club with the announced purpose of lending a hand in supporting all Bentley High athletic programs.

The club has the full support of Athletic Director George Fettes, former head basketball coach, who has been assisting the Dads in getting the organization off the ground.

John Hubert has been named club president with Chet Moore as vice president.

The Bentley Dads Club will meet Monday (March 23) at the high school. All Dads interested in joining are requested to attend and learn the aims and goals of the new organization.



ALL-AREA WRESTLING team includes: (back row, from left) Pat Kern, Sorrows; Lamon McMillen, John Glenn; Craig Gow, N. Farmington; Mike Hadjuk, Sorrows; John Cerretain, Churchill; Steve Lee, N. Farmington; (front row) Ken Haller, N. Farmington; Dennis Campbell, Redford Union; Rick Stewart, GC West; Tom Toohy, N. Farmington; and Charles Young, John Glenn.

Sports Briefs

Michigan State wrestlers contested their fifth consecutive Big Ten team championship in 1970, winning the title with a record 96 points.

Wayne State University's fencing team completed the 1969-70 dual meet season with a 15-1 record, third best in the school's history.

Ralph Simpson, Michigan State Super basketball sophomore, was the choice of his teammates as "most valuable" for the 1969-70 season.

5 Area Gymnasts Win State Honors

Five Observerland performers—three from Clarencville and two from North Farmington—rule this week as Michigan high school gymnastics champions.

They took the titles Saturday as Taylor Kennedy, as expected, captured the team crown while defending champ Clarencville was second and North Farmington third. Kennedy posted 190 points, Clarencville 114 and North Farmington 94.

Thus Kennedy enjoyed a sweep of team laurels after the prep gymnastic world for the three previous years.

THE PAULSON brothers—Don and Tom—along with Bill Waddell from Clarencville emerged as individual champions.

Similar honors went to Mike Hill and Ted Ortwine of North Farmington.

Tom Paulson won in the sidehorse competition, brother Don in the trampoline and Waddell in the parallel bars. Ortwine led the field in vaulting and Hill in the side rings.

HOW CLARENCVILLE and North Farmington entries placed:

ALL AROUND
3-Bill Waddell (CV), 4-Mike McCannan (CV), 5-Bill Page (NF), 8-Dan Chapman (NF).

TUMBLING
2-Rob Struck (CV), 3-Ted Ortwine (NF), 9-Larry Beno (NF).

TRAMPOLINE
Champion—Dan Paulson (CV), 5-Bill Hess (NF), 6-Sterve Seavel (NF), 7-Ken Thompson (CV), 8-Kirk Cairns (CV), 10-Rick Page (NF).

PARALLEL BARS
Champion—Bill Waddell (CV), 3-Lee Katterman (NF), 8-Sandy Gurian (CV), 10-Dan Chapman (NF).

HORIZONTAL BARS
3-Jim Trouted (CV), 5-Bill Waddell (CV), 8-Jim Bach (NF).

VAULTING
Champion—Ted Ortwine (NF), 5-Bill Waddell (CV), 6-Bill Page (NF), 9-Mike McCannan (NF).

FLOOR EXERCISE
3-Ted Ortwine (NF), 5-Rob Struck (CV), 7-Mike McCannan (CV), 9-Rick Stearns (CV).

STILL RINGS
Champion—Mike Hill (NF), 4-Joe Neuseswander (NF), 5-Bill Waddell (CV), 9-Mike McCannan (CV).

SIDE HORSE
Champion—Tom Paulson (CV), 5-Bill Page (NF), 7-Dick Brown (NF), 9-John LaMontagne (CV).

U-M Baseball Team Opens Spring Tour

ANN ARBOR
Michigan's baseball team will launch a 37 game schedule March 20 when the Wolverines open an eight game spring training trip to sunny Arizona.

The Arizona trip is an annual affair. All games will be with Arizona.

Coach of Year — Greg Doty, Our Lady of Sorrows.

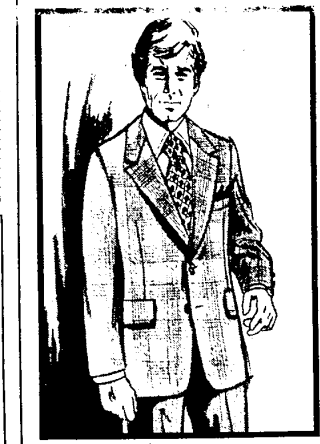
Rick Bay Is New Michigan Mat Mentor

ANN ARBOR
Richard (Rick) Bay, Michigan's assistant wrestling coach, has been named head coach, succeeding Cliff Kern who is retiring June 30 after 45 years of coaching Wolverine teams.

Appointment of the 27-year-old Bay, effective July 1, was announced by Michigan Athletic Director Don Canham, following formal approval by the Board in Control of Intercollegiate Athletics.

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