

1977 State...

# *Thirteen area wrestlers battle in state tourney*

The Ohio High School State Wrestling Tournament gets under way at noon Friday with the preliminary rounds in Classes AAA and AA at St. John's Arena on The Ohio State University campus.

The Class A state show will begin at 7 p.m. Friday in Rike Center on the Otterbein College campus in Westerville.

There will be 13 Fremont area wrestlers in the three high school classifications in the state meet.

Jessie Heidelberg and Jim Smith of Ross and Bill Weaver of Bellevue will be shooting for the state crowns in the big school wrestling. All three are in their second consecutive state tournament.

Heidelberg, 23-1, will be aiming for the 105-pound title. He was 1-2 in state competition last year, and like Smith, was handicapped in the state show by the flu. The Ross lightweight's first opponent will be Mick Gercak of Norton.

Gercak, 21-2, lost to Heidelberg in the Medina Tournament earlier this season.

Heavyweight Smith, 21-7, will lock up with unbeaten, 25-0, Kevin Czinger of Cleveland St. Ignatius in his first match.

Weaver, 119, sports an 18-2 mark going into the state meet. His first round opponent is Dave Wenger of Copley who is 25-1.

In the AA competition, 98-pound Phil Weirich of Oak Harbor will put his 18-3 record on the line against Steve Bradley, 11-0, over Twinsburg Chamberlain. Another Rocket, 155-pound Mike Carman, 20-1, will wrestle Keith Foxx, 10-0, of Akron Coventry in his preliminary match. Foxx was second in the state at 155 a year ago.

The third Rocket in the state meet is Allan Lipstraw, 18-3-1. He will go against defending state champ Phil Anglim, 36-0, of Columbus Waterson in his first bout.

Two Genoa wrestlers, Mark Mancinotti and Alfredo Lozoya made the state show. Mancinotti, 23-2, will challenge Jerry Dempsey, 21-0, of New Richmond in the first round. Lozoya, 25-2 and making his second state meet appearance, will battle Tony Eramo of Columbus Bishop Hartley in his first match. Eramo is 15-5.

The quarterfinal round of the AAA and AA state tournaments will be at 7 p.m. Friday. The championship semifinals and consolation will begin at noon on Saturday with the championship rounds at 7 p.m.

At Rike Center, five Fremont St. Joe wrestlers will represent the area in Class A. Tom Guyer (112), Lynn McKinney (132), Jim McKinney (138), Jim Meyer (155), and Mike Jay (heavyweight) will carry the Crimson Streaks' banner into the small school chase for state honors.

Guyer and Lynn McKinney are in their second state meet and both are juniors. Guyer was fourth a year ago.

The Crimson Streaks' 112-pounder, 19-1 for the season, will go against Bob Pastor, 17-3, of Newbury in the first round. Lynn McKinney, 18-2, will battle Andy Ohman, 16-6, of Newbury.

Lynn's brother, Jim, 17-4, will be up against 21-1 Gary Kline of Ashland Mapleton in his initial skirmish.

Mark Lowe, 24-0, of Summit Station Licking Heights, will be Meyer's first opponent. Meyer, a senior, is 19-1 this season.

Jay will put his 20-1 record up against Chuck Malensek of Orwell Grand Valley in the first heavyweight bout. Malensek is 17-3.

The semifinal round of the Class A tourney will begin at noon Saturday with the championship and consolation finals beginning at 7 p.m. the same day.

# Smith out; Heidelberg hopes crushed

## Phil Weirich reaches semis

COLUMBUS — Phil Weirich, a freshman out of Oak Harbor, is the only Fremont area wrestler qualifying for today's semi-finals in the Ohio High School state wrestling tournament at St. John Arena.

Eight other area wrestlers in the Class AAA and AA competition must wait until after today's semi-finals to see if they are "pulled" back into the journey.

Weirich breezed through the Class AA first round easily with a 14-0 walkaway from Steve Bradley of Twinsburg Chamberlain. In the Friday night quarter-final round, the wiry Oak Harbor freshman did anything he wanted, but pin Allen Savranaki of Beachwood. Weirich bowled over the Beachwood junior 11-2 to gain today's semis.

In today's semis, Weirich went up against Dan Manning of Beloit West Branch.

Listed among the first round losers were Ross heavyweights Jim Smith in the Class AAA state meet. Smith was beaten by unbeaten (28-0) Kevin Cinger of Cleveland St. Ignace 10-5. Smith is out of the tournament because Cinger lost in the second round to Mike Trogas of Austintown Pitch, 3-1.

Bill Weaver, Bellevue's 119-pound hopeful, lost to Dave Wenger of Copley 10-0. Wenger won in the second round and a win in today's semis by the Copley wrestler will draw Weaver back into the journey.

In Class AA action, Oak Harbor's Allan Lipstrow and Mike Carman were first round casualties. Lipstrow was pinned by defending state champ Phil Anglim of Columbus Watson in 5:05 of the 138-pound match.

Carman, 155, was stopped by 1976 state runner-up Keith Fox of Akron Coventry 10-5.

Both of the Rocket wrestlers have a shot of being pulled back in because both Anglim and Fox won in the second round.

Genoa's Mark Mancinotti won his first round Class AA match 12-5 over Jerry Dempsey of New Richmond, but ran into difficulty in the second round. David Fischer of Beachwood knocked off the Genoa 112-pounder, 11-3.

Alfredo Lozoya (167) of Genoa, lost his first round match in the last five seconds when Tony Eramo of Columbus Bishop Ready escaped for a 4-3 win.

Class AAA team leaders: Sandusky, 25; Lorain Southview, 24; Maple Heights, 23; Nordonia, 22; Cleveland St. Joseph, 22.

Class AA team leaders: Columbus Bishop Ready, 26; Columbus DeSales, 26; Akron Coventry, 22; Beloit West Branch, 22; Oregon Cardinal Stritch, 17.



MIKE CARMAN of Oak Harbor is on his back as Akron Coventry's Keith Fox is about to register a near fall in the Class AA 155-pound match. Carman lost to Fox, a 1976 state runner-up, 10-5. (News-Messenger photos by Bruce Crippen)

## Controversy fills Heidelberg loss

By BOB MARKER  
News-Messenger Sports Editor

COLUMBUS — Coach Al Voggenthaler was livid; the fans at St. John Arena were horrified and showed it vocally. The only cool heads around were supposedly three officials.

Jesse Heidelberg, however, was crushed; his dreams had been shattered in the 40th Ohio High School state wrestling tournament at St. John Arena. The Ross senior had come out on the short end of a referee's decision in overtime in the quarter-final round of the Class AAA 165-pound division.

"I very definitely feel that we got screwed," Voggenthaler fumed. "They (officials) took the state championship right away from him."

Dan Foldesky of Lakewood St. Edward was awarded a penalty when Heidelberg threw him off the mat with 19 seconds left in regulation. The questionable penalty tied the match at 6-6, sending it into overtime.

Heidelberg jumped out to a 4-1 lead on a pair of takedowns in the first one-minute extra period. Foldesky cut the lead to 4-2 with an escape in the second overtime period.

In the final extra period, Heidelberg escaped for a 5-2 lead, but was taken down at the 25-second mark and still led 5-4. Foldesky let the Ross senior escape to fall behind 6-4, but his strategy worked and he scored on a takedown with two seconds to go.

Just before the final Foldesky takedown, Heidelberg had been warned for stalling and the call by referee Anthony Campolo led to the decision against Heidelberg.

With the score knotted at 6-4 after overtime, it was up to the referees. At first, Campolo raised Heidelberg's hand in victory, but mat judges Santo Cagane and Don Sanderson, both of the Northeast District, overrode that call by referring to the "overtime procedure" for determining a winner.

Through the first six steps, it was even, but when it came to the seventh step of the procedure, the key for the win swung to Foldesky.

That seventh step reads: "If a tie remains, the wrestler whose opponent had been warned for stalling will be declared the winner."

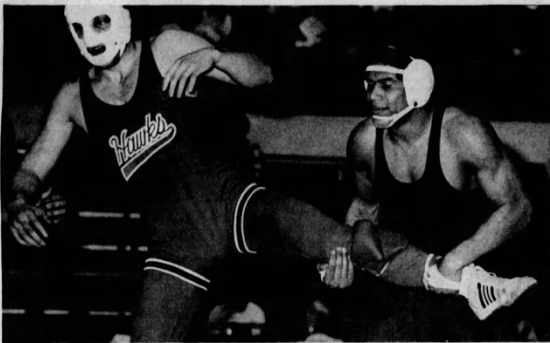
Exit Heidelberg and enter Foldesky into the semifinals. That decision, however, riled Voggenthaler so much that he feels the almighty dollar won the match.

"Howard Ferguson (coach of St. Edward) and listed in Dunn and Bradstreet as one of America's millionaires) said three years ago that he would win a state championship and right now I think he's paid for it," he charged.

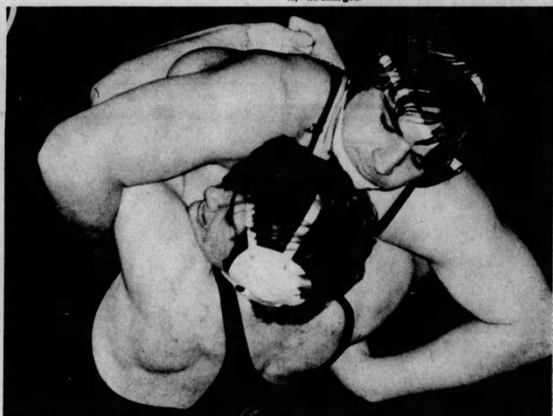
News  
Messenger

Sports

Bob Marker, editor



GENOA'S ALFREDO LOZOYA has a firm grip on the leg of Tony Eramo of Columbus Bishop Ready in the final five seconds to edge Lozoya 4-3.



ROSS'S JIM SMITH ... against unbeaten Kevin Cinger

## Free's 26 paces 76ers past Sonics

By The Associated Press  
Lloyd Free is honest in his shot-making — and then some — as he scored 26 points to pace Philadelphia's 126-122 National Basketball Association victory Friday night.

In the other NBA games, the Atlanta Hawks bested the Denver Nuggets 100-95; the Philadelphia 76ers guard.

The Seattle SuperSonics

Buffalo Braves stopped the Chicago Bulls 95-90; the Houston Rockets ripped the Indiana Pacers 124-109; the Kansas City Kings edged the Portland Trail Blazers 114-112 and the Los Angeles Lakers beat the Washington Bullets 94-91.

Philadelphia twice led by 25 points, the last time at 73-48 with one second left in the first half. But it

took Free's consistent last-quarter shooting to cool a Seattle comeback.

The Sonics gradually narrowed the gap and trailed 96-85 after three periods behind Sick Watts, Dennis Johnson and Mike Green. A pair of baskets by Johnson in the final quarter put Seattle within 112-107, but Free hit a long jumper to increase Philadelphia's lead to seven. Julius Erving matched Free's point total for the 76ers.

Hawks 100, Nuggets 95  
Armond Hill made two free throws with half seconds remaining to help Atlanta beat Denver. Hill scored 26 points and John Drew 25 to lead the Hawks.

## Tournament results, pairings

<p><b>Friday's Results</b></p> <p><b>Class AAA Tournaments</b></p> <p>At Marietta College Marietta 60, New Philadelphia 51</p> <p>At Cambridge 81, Washington Court House 77</p> <p>At Miami University Miami 55, Lebanon 50</p> <p><b>Class AA Tournaments</b></p> <p>At Salem Youngstown 47, Youngstown East 30</p> <p>Winner advances to Canton Regional vs. Canton Fieldhouse District winner</p> <p>At Canton Fieldhouse Akron South 51, Magnolia Sandy Valley 33</p> <p>Winner advances to Canton Regional vs. Salem District winner</p>	<p><b>Regional vs. Salem District</b></p> <p>At Chagrin Falls Cathedral Latin 70, Warrensville Heights 51</p> <p>Winner advances to Canton Regional vs. Warren District winner</p> <p>At Warren Western Reserve Broadfield 80, Leavittsburg 65</p> <p>Winner advances to Canton Regional vs. Chagrin Falls District winner</p> <p>At Bowling Green University Lorain Brookside 52, Oberlin 41</p> <p>Winner advances to Bowling Green Regional vs. Andland District winner</p> <p>At Ohio University Trotton 54, Gallipolis 37</p> <p>Winner advances to Canton Regional vs. Canton Fieldhouse District winner</p> <p>At Mason 58, Carlisle 34</p> <p>Winner advances to Canton Regional vs. Canton Fieldhouse District winner</p>	<p><b>Lebanon District 47</b></p> <p>At Troy Robert Area Springfield Shawnee 48, Springfield Catholic 27</p> <p>Winner is Dayton Regional vs. Dayton District winner</p> <p>At Cincinnati Gardens East Clinton 31, Cincinnati 25</p> <p>Winner is Canton Regional vs. Canton Lower District winner</p> <p>At Cincinnati North College Hill 83, Cincinnati 61</p> <p>Winner is Canton Regional vs. Canton Lower District winner</p> <p><b>Class A Tournaments</b></p> <p>At Findlay Mount Blanchard 154, Findlay 174</p> <p>Winner is Canton Regional vs. Canton Lower District winner</p> <p>At Lima Ridgeway 154, Lima 174</p> <p>Winner is Canton Regional vs. Canton Lower District winner</p> <p>At Lima Ridgeway 154, Lima 174</p> <p>Winner is Canton Regional vs. Canton Lower District winner</p>	<p><b>Genoa 191 vs. Beaufort 154</b> 7:30 p.m. Winner to Bowling Green University Regional vs. Green University District winner</p> <p><b>Class A Tournaments</b></p> <p>At Findlay Mount Blanchard 154, Findlay 174</p> <p>Winner is Canton Regional vs. Canton Lower District winner</p> <p>At Lima Ridgeway 154, Lima 174</p> <p>Winner is Canton Regional vs. Canton Lower District winner</p> <p>At Lima Ridgeway 154, Lima 174</p> <p>Winner is Canton Regional vs. Canton Lower District winner</p>
--	--	---	--

**PRESERVATION CONFERENCE**

Interest in historic preservation and the conservation of quality in our ever changing man-made environment has prompted a Conference on Historic Preservation. The First Preservation Conference on Historic Preservation will be held Thursday, March 17 and Friday, March 18, 1977 on the Heidelberg College campus in Tiffin, Ohio. Tiffin, at the intersection of state routes 16 and 191, is located in the northeast portion of Ohio and has experienced a renewed interest in its own architectural past. It is hoped that the Conference, an Ohio Program in the Humanities, will help to emphasize the human values in a changing society. Registration is free and is open to the public. Sponsorship is being provided by the Tiffin League of Women Voters and Heidelberg College with matching grant support from the Ohio Program in the Humanities, a State Based Program of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

For further information contact: Barbara Howes  
MAR-17-18-1977  
Heidelberg College  
Tiffin, Ohio 44883  
HEIDELBERG COLLEGE (419) 448-2004

Matching grant support from The Ohio Program in the Humanities, a State Based Program of the National Endowment for the Humanities

**FLY**

People or Freight  
Cleveland-Toledo  
Detroit-Columbus  
or anywhere,  
anytime.

Fly with  
Dave Isaacson,  
our full-time  
professional  
instructor — pilot.

**FREMONT AIRPORT**

Phone  
332-8037  
— Learn To Fly —

Is a local institution specializing in insurance needs and dedicated to the mercantile philosophy that the customer is number one!

We don't ask for much, just one opportunity to serve you.

901 E. STATE ST. PHONE 332-9987

**Peacore INSURANCE**

Is a local institution specializing in insurance needs and dedicated to the mercantile philosophy that the customer is number one!

We don't ask for much, just one opportunity to serve you.

901 E. STATE ST. PHONE 332-9987

**FOR RELIABLE MAJOR APPLIANCE SERVICE PHONE 332-7347**

• Hoover  
• Westinghouse  
• Maytag  
• Tappan  
• And Others

**SWINT-REINECK**  
OAK HARBOR RD. 332-7347