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50th Annual BCAA George Jockish Holiday Wrestling Tournament

at Rockland County Community College Fieldhouse, Suffern, N.Y.

Defending champion: Paramus became the first public school in 19 years to win the team title, beating second-place Don Bosco by a mere four points. Mark Cirello defeated returning region champ Taylor Trumbetti of Pascack Hills in the final bout of the tournament to cap the win for the Spartans.

Outlook: After waiting so long to win the championship, Paramus is set to defend. The Spartans return all but three wrestlers from last season and again could find themselves eye to eye with Bosco and Bergen Catholic entering the finals. Queen of Peace has a core of wrestlers who are dangerous in any tournament. Ramapo, Old Tappan and Mahwah could battle for top public school behind Paramus.

Returning champions (expected weight): Brian Schneider, Hackensack (103); Frank Cagnina, Queen of Peace (130); Joe DeQuinzio, Hasbrouck Heights/Wood-Ridge (135); Sal Mastriani, Don Bosco (140); Ryan Sblendorio, Mahwah (160); Jamie Westwood, Queen of Peace (171).

Prime bouts: The 171-pound final could be the highlight if St. Joseph's Mike Khoury stays at the weight to face Westwood, a State seventh last season. Khoury won two bouts in Atlantic City before losing to eventual champ Billy Ard of Watchung Hills and Mike Magaraci of Old Tappan.

The 130- and 135-pound weight classes could be the most talented in Bergen. Cagnina (130) and Elmwood Park's Vinny Fava (135) are the heavy favorites in brackets that could include DeQuinzio, region champ Julian Quintero and Angel Quinones of North Bergen, region third Nick Guarriello of Emerson/Park Ridge and region fourth Zach Zotollo of Paramus.

It could be a tossup at 160, where Sblendorio tops a bracket that includes State qualifier Eric Torres of Elmwood Park, 2008 region fourth

Mike Mordaga of Paramus and Bergen Catholic's Keith Switzer.

Tony Nadera is the favorite in a talented 112-pound class by virtue of his technical fall last season over fellow region runner-up Tom Casper of Bergen Catholic. That class also includes 2008 BCCA place-winner Jeff Rottingen of Ramsey, district champ Anthony Miuccio of Old Tappan and Mike Laurice of Indian Hills.

Mastriani tops a deep weight class at 140 that includes region champ Sam Pietrantuono of Ridgewood, district champ Matt Dickman of Glen Rock/Saddle Brook (who beat Pietrantuono in the district final last season), region place-winner Nick Alpher of Paramus and Vince DiMitre of Fair Lawn.

Schedule

Today

Preliminary and prequarterfinal rounds, 11 a.m.

Quarterfinals and wrestlebacks, 5 o'clock

Wednesday

Semifinals and wrestlebacks, 11 a.m.
Wrestlebacks, 1:15 p.m.

Consolation round, 3:30 p.m.

Awards and all-time team presentation, 5:30 p.m.

Finals, 6:30 p.m.

Directions

From Palisades Parkway and Garden State Parkway

North to the New York State Thruway. Thruway north to Exit 14B (Airmont). Turn right onto Airmont Road, which becomes Highview Road. Turn left at fourth stop light onto College Road. Main entrance to the campus is on the left.

From Route 17

North to the New York State Thruway. Thruway south to exit 14B (Airmont). Turn left onto Airmont Road. Follow directions above.

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First things first for Heights/Wood-Ridge's DeQuinzio

By GREGORY SCHUTTA
STAFF WRITER

Joe DeQuinzio stood on one of the four center mats in Atlantic City last season and just drank it in.

He had been to the New Jersey State wrestling championships countless times as a spectator, seen the crowds, heard the noise. But that moment last season, standing in his corner waiting for his quarterfinal bout to begin, was the first time the noise rained down on him.

"Once you wrestle there, you don't want to wrestle anywhere else," said the Hasbrouck Heights/Wood-Ridge senior, who capped a breakout season by finishing a State eighth as a first-time qualifier.

DeQuinzio's road back to Atlantic City begins in earnest this week when he looks to win his second straight title at the BCCA George Jockish Holiday Wrestling Tournament at Rockland Community College in Suffern, N.Y.

The tournament, one of the largest and longest running in the state, will celebrate its 50th year by unveiling an all-tournament team for each decade beginning in the 1960s. The team will be announced before Wednesday night's finals.

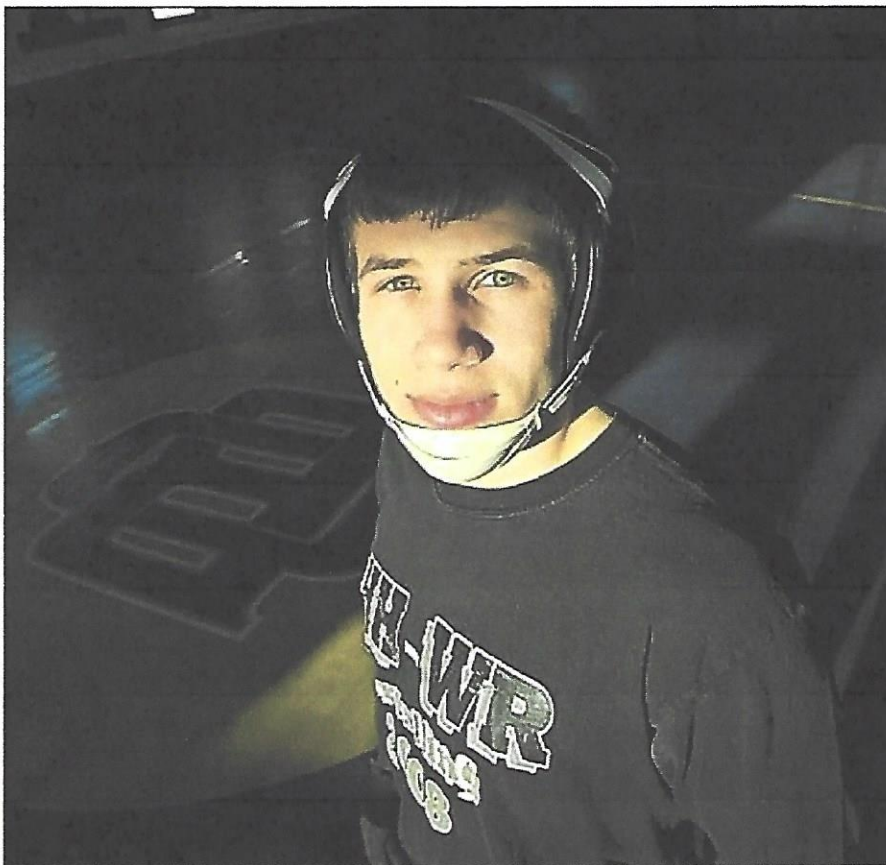
DeQuinzio already is a part of that history after winning his first championship at 130 pounds. But getting his hand raised for a forfeit victory in the final was not as satisfying as he would have liked.

"It was anticlimactic," said DeQuinzio, whose scheduled opponent, Julian Quintero of North Bergen, was injured while winning his semifinal. "Just going out and getting your hand raised, you didn't win anything."

Winning this time around will be a challenge, no matter which weight class he enters.

If he remains at 130, he likely will battle for second place behind two-time State champion and three-time BCCA champion Frank Cagnina of Queen of Peace. A move up to 135 pounds, where he has been wrestling early this season, could have the same result with returning State third and junior national champion Vinny Fava of Elmwood Park there, and maybe Quintero, who pinned DeQuinzio in the Region 4 final last season to even the head-to-head record at 2-2. Quintero also could go 130.

"It's stacked either way," he said. "The key is the second day, because you have to be ready for your semifinal match. It comes right at you in the morning."



ELIZABETH LARA/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Joe DeQuinzio is undecided on which of the two loaded weight classes to choose from in the Bergen County tournament, which begins today.

DeQuinzio is an athlete who's ready for anything thrown at him. After finishing fourth in the region two years ago, he came back with a breakout year, going 36-5 with BCCA and district titles, a region second and a State eighth.

He went 3-3 in Atlantic City to earn a place on the medal stand, including a tough 3-2 victory over Region 2 champ Sam Pietrantuono of Ridgewood. Earlier this month, he was accepted at Princeton, where he will wrestle.

"He knows where he's headed and is dedicated and committed to get there," Aviators coach Craig Messery said. "Everything leads up to the States. Getting down to Atlantic City, that's what everybody remembers."

"I want to get down there to prove something to myself, not anybody else," said DeQuinzio, who recently won his 100th career bout and is heading for the Heights/Wood-

Ridge record of 133 career wins set by his friend Jose Vega. "I want to wrestle better and climb higher on the podium."

He spent most of the summer at tournaments and in his club wrestling room, trying out new things and paying particular attention to his defense.

"At that level, there's not much to separate first and second and second and third," he said. "It's a takedown or an escape. Everybody's in shape down there, so you have to be that much better in technique."

BCCA Holiday Wrestling Tournament chairman Jack McCarty and Hasbrouck Heights/Wood-Ridge standout Joe DeQuinzio discuss the 50th anniversary of the event on this week's Varsity Aces Show.

See it at northjersey.com

Gross steals show

Bosco freshman earns semifinals on upset day

By GREGORY SCHUTTA
STAFF WRITER

SUFFERN - Razhon Gross didn't wait to make a name for himself in Bergen County wrestling. The freshman from Don Bosco chose center stage at his first high school tournament to make his splash.

Gross shocked second-seeded Mike Scrozzo of Queen of Peace, 3-2, in the fourth overtime Tuesday and followed that by coming back to win a 15-11 war to advance to the 189-pound semifinal at the 50th Annual BCCA George Jockish Holiday Wrestling Tournament.

"I was a little bit nervous," said Gross, who wrestled and won the first three bouts of his high school career Tuesday. "It's the County tournament, so it's no joke. It was hard."

It was one of many big upsets on the first day of the tourna-

ment as just 10 of 14 top seeds made it through and the top four seeds advanced in just 5 of the 14 weight classes.

Old Tappan sat atop the team standings after the quarterfinals and first round of wrestlebacks with 130 points, followed by St. Joseph, defending champion Paramus and Bergen Catholic.

Gross had a crowd around his mat for each of his final two bouts against Scrozzo and River Dell's Fred Zott. The match against Zott was a back-and-forth affair with Gross taking a lead in the final minute and holding on for the victory.

"They were both tough matches," he said. "[Zott] was very tough to pin. Every time I tried to cradle him, he squirmed free."

North Bergen's Julian Quintero earned the BCCA date he missed a year ago, pinning Bergen Catholic's Matt Mangi-

ni in 13 seconds for his second pin in three bouts, to advance to the semifinals at 130 against defending champ Joe DeQuinzio of Hasbrouck Heights/Wood-Ridge. Quintero was scheduled to face DeQuinzio in last year's final but seriously injured his shoulder and had to default.

"I'm excited, but I know my next two matches would be against tough kids," said the junior, who evened his career record against DeQuinzio at 2 with a pin in last year's region final. "I feel good right now and I'm just looking forward to getting through this tournament healthy."

Freshman Nick Gravina and senior Brandon Stueben both knocked off top seeds to earn their way into the semifinals for Northern Highlands. Three of the Highlanders' four semifinalists advanced by upset.

Gravina came back to pin top-seeded Brian Schneider of Hackensack in 5:38 at 103 pounds and Stueben followed moments later with an 8-3 decision over Bergen Catholic's Tom Casper at 112.

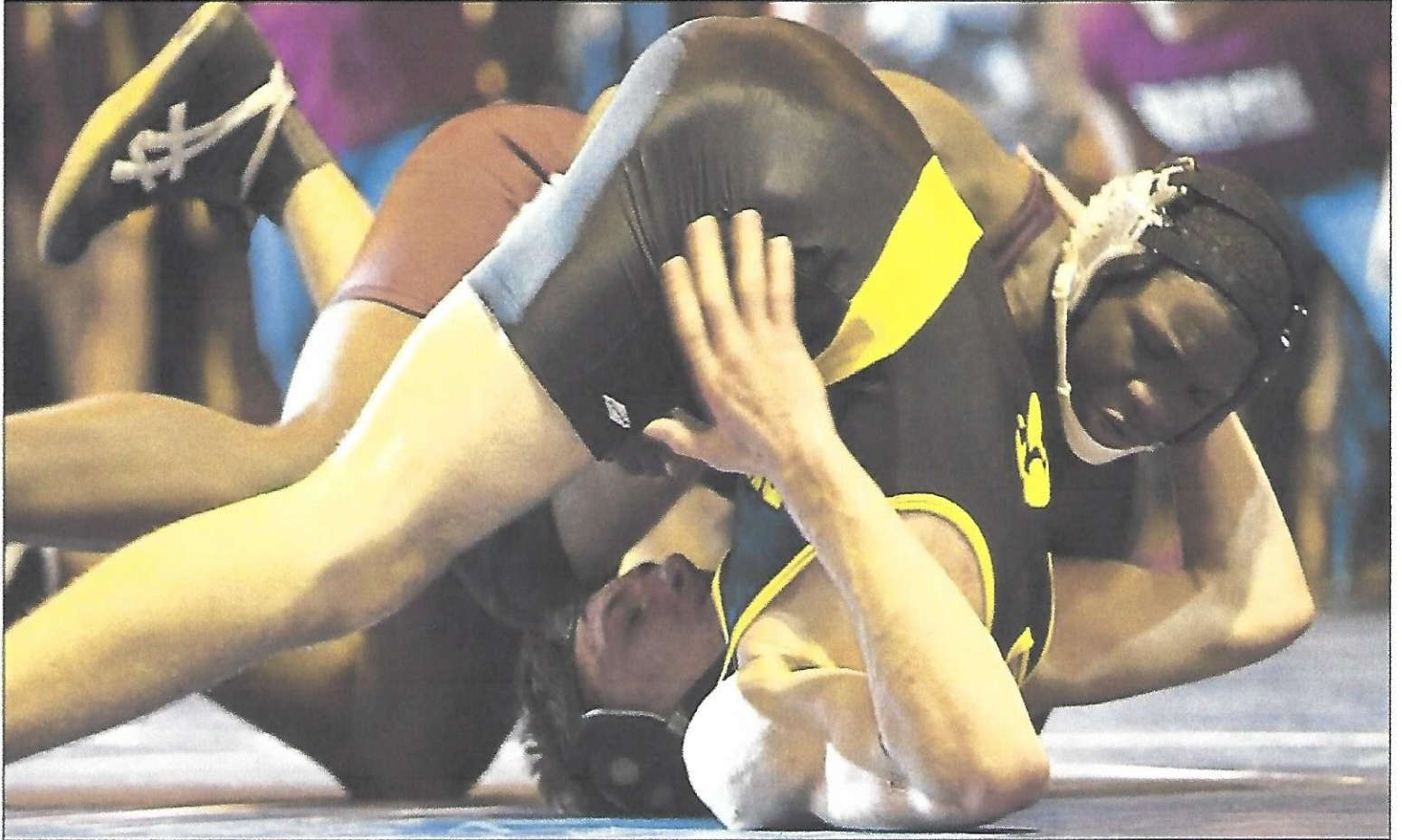
"I was watching his match and it just got me up watching him come back," Stueben said.

Also advancing through a top seed were Bergen Catholic's Charlie Mitchell, who downed North Bergen's Jorge Reyes, 4-2, in the 119-pound quarterfinals and Chris Duran of North Bergen, who edged Don Bosco's Jason Dack, 5-2, at 152.

Fourth-seeded Mike Mordaga of Paramus made his first appearance in a major tournament since sitting out most of last year with a broken hand with two pins and a technical fall to advance to the 160-pound semifinals against top-seeded Keith Switzer of Bergen Catholic.

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Razhon Gross en route to a 15-11 victory over River Dell's Fred Zott at 189 pounds in Gross' first high school tournament.

BY THE WEIGHTS

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The top two seeds failed to advance to the semifinals, as No. 2 Justin Scheinert of Ramapo dropped a decision to River Dell's Brendan Campbell in the third round and No. 1 Brian Schneider of Hackensack was pinned in the quarterfinals by Northern Highlands' Nick Gravina. Bergen Catholic's Trevor Albrecht, seeded fourth, cruised to the semis with a shutout major decision and a pin.

112

Northern Highlands' Brian Steuben upset No. 1 Tommy Casper of Bergen Catholic, 8-3, in the quarterfinals. Ramapo's Alex Scheinert pinned No. 4 Mike Laurice in overtime of the pre-quarterfinals, then dropped a decision to Old Tappan's Anthony Muiccio. Ramsey's Jeff Rottin-gen – who pinned all three of his opponents – next faces Paramus' Tony Nadera in an intriguing semifinal.

119

North Bergen's Jorge Reyes became the third straight top seed to fall in the quarterfinals after dropping a 4-2 decision to Bergen Catholic's Charlie Mitchell. Ramsey's Chuckie Slater topped Ridgewood's Brandon Giovanetti, 5-1, in a high-profile quarterfinal matchup.

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Hasbrouck Heights/Wood-Ridge's Joseph DeQuinzio and North Bergen's Julian Quintero will meet in the semifinal, one year after DeQuinzio won the 130-pound final by default because Quintero was injured.

135

Elmwood Park's Vin Fava wrestled like the No. 1 seed while earning two pins. River Dell's Nick Baranello also impressed with a 8-5 decision over No. 4 Jake Bogosian of Old Tappan.

140

Fair Lawn's Vince DiMitre, seeded fourth, pinned Glen Rock/Saddle Brook's Matt Dickman in overtime, and will need to beat No. 1 Sam Pietrantuono to reach his first BCCA final.

145

Top-seeded Johansi Rivera of Fort Lee scored 52 points in three bouts to roll into today's semifinal against No. 4 Darius Charles of Old Tappan. Demarest's Chris Woods upset third-seeded Gal Levy of Fair Lawn in the first round and eventually advanced into the semis against No. 3 Mike Paskas of Rutherford.

152

Chris Duran of North Bergen stunned top-seeded Jason Dack of Don Bosco, 3-2, to move into today's semifinal against No. 4 Adrian Fernandez of River Dell. Sophomore and second-seed James Dugan of Becton/Wallington will face No. 3 Alex Cimiluca of Glen Rock/Saddle Brook in the other semi.

160

The top four seeds in one of the more talented weight classes rolled into the semifinals. Top-seeded Keith Switzer of Bergen Catholic will face Mike Mordaga of Paramus and second-seeded Dane McDermott of St. Joseph will battle returning champ Ryan Sblendorio of Mahwah. McDermott had the toughest quarterfinal, beating Bosco's Frank Mattiace, 3-2, to advance.

171

Second-seeded Eric Torres of Elmwood Park needed overtime to defeat Chris Matchka of Lyndhurst/North Arlington and join the other seeds in the semifinals. He will face third-seeded Mike Khoury of St. Joseph, and No. 4 Victor Kipiani, who advanced with a 2-1 win in the quarterfinals, will face top-seeded Jamie Westwood of Queen of Peace.

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Freshman Razhon Gross of Don Bosco made a splash in his first tournament, beating second-seeded Mike Scrozzo of Queen of Peace in a ride-out on the way to the semifinals. He will face Kevin Yali of Waldwick/Midland Park, who upset third-seeded Anthony Mordaga, 5-3. Top-seeded Brendan Wengerter of Cresskill will face Old Tappan's Ray Donnelly in the other semi.

215

Matt Mecca joined the list of Northern Highlands' upset winners by edging third-seeded Dan Lewitt of Glen Rock/Saddle Brook, 9-7, in overtime in the quarterfinals. Becton/Wallington's Abo Mahmoud pinned No. 4 Mike Gerbasio of Rutherford in the quarterfinals. Top-seeded Phil McCue of St. Joseph and No. 2 Iyi Okunlola of Old Tappan also advanced.

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The top three seeds advanced by pin, with top-seeded Jonathan Price of Hackensack and No. 3 Mike Shannon of Old Tappan pinning in the first period. Second-seeded Jimmy Uzzalino of Ridgewood and Joe Ortiz of Ridgefield Park/Ridgefield also advanced.

DiMitri pins down victory

Fair Lawn senior decides enough is enough in OT

By **STEFAN BONDY**
STAFF WRITER

SUFFERN, N.Y. - Vince DiMitri wrestled with tunnel vision, and nothing could detract from seeing his arm raised.

So even as he sucked an inhaler to suppress his asthma, DiMitri maintained his work rate and dictated the pace.

After the bout went into overtime because of his opponent's controversial takedown, DiMitri kept his thoughts positive, his technical approach proficient.

"I was just thinking I have to win," he said. "I have to win."

The Fair Lawn senior accomplished his goal Tuesday at the BCCA George Jockish Holiday tournament at Rockland Community College, pinning Glen Rock/Saddle Brook's Matt Dickman 18 seconds into overtime of their 140-pound quarterfinal bout.

The matchup between district champions lived up to its potential. There was blood, drama and an explosive ending. Both wrestlers left with facial bruises - the bout was stopped twice for "blood time" - but only DiMitri advanced to today's

semifinal against Ridgewood's Sam Pietrantuono. The winner will face either Paramus' Nick Alpher or Don Bosco's Sal Mastriani in the final.

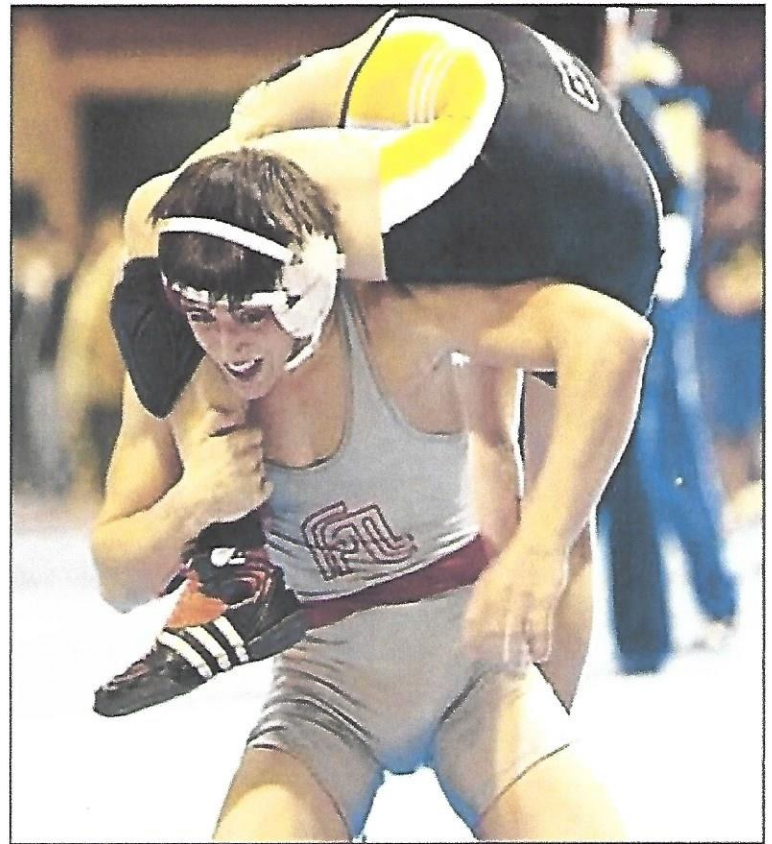
"Me and [Dickman]," DiMitri said. "We put on shows like that."

It was a rematch of the Cutter Classic final Dec. 19, when DiMitri picked up another overtime victory. With that bout fresh in his mind, DiMitri hoped to keep Dickman on his feet and in the center of the mat.

The plan was effective as DiMitri held a 6-3 advantage in the third period. But an escape and a last-ditch takedown from Dickman - which was restored by the officials after first being ruled out of bounds - provided the extra session.

DiMitri wasted little time. On his first move, the fourth seed picked Dickman off his feet and dug his shoulders into the mat. It was his third pin in three bouts, and an impressive notch on what he hopes is a championship belt.

"I have to win. That's it," he said. "One match at a time. I have to climb the ladder, from the bottom to the top."



NICK BRANDRETH/SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

Fair Lawn's Vince DiMitri, bottom, and Glen Rock/Saddle Brook's Matt Dickman are always good for a show at 140.

In other bouts, Tappan's Iyi Ounlola (215), Becton/Wallington sophomore James Dugan pinned two of his opponents at 152 pounds and earned a technical fall in the other.

Wrestlers who pinned through: Mahwah's Ryan Sblendorio (160), St. Joe's Mike Khoury (171), Becton/Wallington's Abo Mahmoud (215), Old

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TEAM SCORES: Old Tappan (OT), 130; St. Joseph (SJ), 103.5; Paramus (P), 102.5; Bergen Catholic (BC), 100.5; Northern Highlands (NH), 87; Ridgewood (RI), 87; Fair Lawn (FL), 80; Don Bosco (DB), 77.5; North Bergen (NB), 77; River Dell (RD), 65; Becton/Wallington (B/W), 64.5; Emerson/Park Ridge (E/PR), 64; Glen Rock/Saddle Brook (GR/SB), 59; Elmwood Park (EP), 57.5; Ramapo (Rmp), 57; Ramsey (Rms), 57; Queen of Peace (QP), 55.5; Rutherford (Ru), 55.5; Bergenfield (B), 50; Ridgefield Park/Ridgefield (RP/R), 42; Hackensack (H), 41; Cresskill (C), 39; Demarest (D), 39; Hasbrouck Heights/Wood-Ridge (HH/W-R), 39; Waldwick/Midland Park (W/MP), 35; Indian Hills (IH), 31; Pascack Valley (PV), 26; Mahwah (M), 25; Dumont (Du), 23; Lyndhurst/North Arlington (L/NA), 21; Pascack Hills (PH), 19; Cliffside Park (CP), 18; Fort Lee (FtL), 17.5; Paramus Catholic (PC), 16; Westwood (We), 15; Teaneck (T), 13; Bogota/Weehawken (Bo/W), 12; Garfield (G), 7; Lodi (L), 6; New Milford (NM), 2; Leonia/Palisades Park (L/PP), 0.

FIRST ROUND

112: Tristan Hollenbaugh (DB) dec. Alec Claudio (HH/W-R), 8-5.
119: HarRy Sullivan (Rmp) pin Jack Pomerantz (We), 4:40.
125: Jack Conklin (IH) m.d. Sybil Pabatao (L/PP) 10-0.
145: Chris Paladino (BC) pin Gabe Calderone (G), 3:05; Sebastian Assis (EP) dec. George Konstantakis (Du), 5-2.
189: Jake Ommundsen (FL) pin Joe Lopez (Bo/W), :26.

SECOND ROUND

103: Mike Moreale (L/NA) pin Sloan Miller (Rms), 1:00; Will MontgomeRy (Ri) dec. Matthew Innis (HH/W-R), 9-2; Brendan Campbell (RD) pin Alberto Rosa (L), 3:05.
112: Mike Laurice (IH) pin John McLaughlin (RD), 1:55; Jeff Rottingen (Rms) pin Vinnie Totaro (We), 1:26; Anthony Miuccio (OT) pin Joe da Graca-Lobo (SJ) 1:29; Joey Guerriero (GR/SB) pin Austin Zeno (L), :42; Brandon Steuben (NH) dec. Jack Moran (QP), 2-0; Louis Lobo (CP) dec. Mike Viela (RP/R), 3-1; Sebastlan Trujillo (B/W) m.d. C.J. Isip (Bo/W), 11-1; Dean Piteriski (PV) pin Geo Serna (EP), 4:59; Dominick Manginelli (Du) pin Teriq Selver (H), :16; Jep Alorro (C) pin R.J. Izquierdo (PC), :42; Brandon Buonomo (E/PR) dec. Joe DeFuria (B), 10-3; Alex Scheinert (Rmp) t.f. Eric Grosbard (NM), 19-4, 4:10; Tony Nadera (P) t.f. Ryan Coburn (M), 16-0, 4:46; Marco Jiminez (FL) dec. Jose Gronados (FtL), 9-3; Danny Tyson (W/MP) dec. Joey Talmo (PH), 4-0; Tommy Casper (BC) pin Hollenbaugh, 1:45.
119: Dan Ressler (PV) dec. Greg Nowak (L), 2-0; Ryan Monteforte (CP) pin Mike Minardi (NM), :18; Steven Schneider (E/PR) pin Doug Carrol (C), :34; Adam Rusch (OT) pin Christian Soares (NH), 1:56; Angelo Inducci (EP) dec. Chris Lassoni (B/W), 10-8 OT; Charlie Mitchell (BC) pin Connor Rankin (Du), 1:04; Jeff Cardona (B) pin Dan Weglarz (PC), 3:30; Matt Goldstein (PH) dec. Kyle Levisohn (RD), 7-5; Brandon Giovanetti (Ri) pin John Fitzpatrick (DB), :40; Sergio Grigorian (FL) dec. Elis La (L/PP), 2-0; Pedro Morejon (L/NA) m.d. Luigi Luppino (H), 12-2; Firos Warrad (Bo/W) m.d. Izzy Curbelo (RP/R), 12-0; Chuckie Slater (Rms) m.d. Tareq Abwini (P), 8-0; DarRyl Albonico (SJ) t.f. Joe Riccio (M) 17-2; 5:14; Dan Geraldini (Ru) dec. Sean Pezzuti (GR/SB), 6-4; Jorge Reyes (NB) pin Sullivan, :35.

125: Angel Quinones (NB) pin T.J. Husted (Ru), 1:38; Paul Getto (NH) m.d. Steven Ortiz (OT), 11-2; Nick Maselli (E/PR) t.f. Edwin Park (D), 16-1, 3:22; Tyler Champy (GR/SB) dec. Christian Mitchell (PV), 9-6; Alex Dembowski (L/NA) pin Edwin Fiscal (Bo/W), 5:30; Connor Melde (BC) pin Robert DeMauro (SJ), 1:04; Joe Rizzitello (P) pin T.J. Jaconia (M), 3:09; Stephen Mastropietro (HH/W-R) pin Amir George (H), 2:48; Chris Mutterer (Rmp) dec. Ace Orozco (CP), 4-2; Ryan Giovanetti (Ri) pin Matt Delac (W/MP), 1:17; Matt John (C) dec. Luis Urueta (L), 8-4; Nick Provenzano (PC) pin Hector Reyes (RP/R), 2:39; Mike Valle (D) dec. KRystian Kida (EP), 6-3 OT; Chris Leidig (Du) m.d. Anthony Vincy (NM), 12-1; Emmanuel Villanueva (B/W) dec. Angelo Giacchi (DB), 8-3; Andrew Polidore (QP) t.f. Conklin, 16-0, 3:16.

130: Ryan Mealy (B/W) m.d. Greg Costanzo (D) 13-0; Aaron Budnick (P) pin Brian Morales (PC) :18; James Dawson (DB) dec. Ricardo Fuentes (G) 5-0; Julian Quintero (NB) pin Joe Rambala (OT), 1:19; Rob Bandstra (W/MP) dec. Gabe Hidalgo (CP), 4-3; Nick Guarriello (E/PR) pin Adam Berg (PV), 2:42; Dave Powell (RD) pin Josh Hunt (T), :30; Josh Alorro (C) pin Kenny Clarke (Rms), 3:12; Kevin Torres (RU) pin Thomas Oppici (DU), 3:38; Matt Mangini (BC) pin Tayfun Ender (FtL), 4:41; Matt Jacobson (GR/SB) t.f. Mike Silano (SJ), 18-2, 5:05; Issa Musalaev (FL) pin Max Gilmour (M), 1:25; Enrique Romero (Bo/W) dec. Kevin Cuiro (EP), 8-7; Joseph DeQuinzio (HH/W-R) pin Thomas Hernandez (NM), 1:10; Joe Nacco (Rmp) pin Kenny Rankin (B), 3:09.

135: Craig Stugart (DB) pin Troy Cathy (B/W), 2:52; Nick Baranello (RD) pin Dylan Young (QP), :10; Eric Reynoso (RP/R) pin Steven Alicia (Bo/W), 2:30; Brian Bandstra (W/MP) pin James Henry (H), 2:20; Mark Sheridan (IH) dec. Devon Pia (PV) 8-3; Michael Spangler (HH/W-R) dec. Eric Schlett (GR/SB), 8-2; Anthony Mobilio (L) dec. Kelvin Guzman (B) 5-0; Mike Farino (PC) dec. Ryan Heaney (BC), 8-5; Carlos Aristazable (NM) dec. Tommy Alhauti (C) 4-2; Dylan Moore (SJ) dec. Jack Collins (M) 5-0.

140: Matt Dickman (GR/SB) pin John Abbott (Rms), :48; Andrew Vecchione (E/PR) pin Oscar Medina (Bo/W), 2:00; Julian Guilarte (IH) m.d. Pete Seebach (PC), 13-5; Shawn Flesche (OT) pin Kevin Melley (RP/R), 1:33; Edwin Cabrera (EP) pin Ari Chorlyuan (D) 2:44; Jack LaGreca (SJ) pin Anatoli Alkhazov (FtL) 4:46; Carlos Canizales (Du) dec. Jed Benhamroun (C) 2-1; Vince DiMitre (FL) pin Zack Deckler (RD), 3:06; Pedro Barahona (W/MP) dec. Steven Silvestro (BC), 8-6; Terek Molamusa (Rmp) pin Al Alanous (B/W), 4:52; Jonathan Marrero (B) dec. Ryan Spangler (HH/W-R), 6-2; John Boyle (Ru) m.d. Mike Karlewicz (M) 9-1; Brandon Cocheri (NH) pin Andrew L'Abbatte (We), 5:35.

145: Andrew Gramaglia (Ri) pin Mike Hausch (PV), 3:59; Chris Dombroski (DB) pin John Jablonski (NH) :38; Charlie Woods (D) pin Jim Gangi (L/NA) 1:06; Erick Marrero (B) pin Anthony Melon (P) 3:39; Kris Buonomo (E/PR) pin Morgan Tarelton (GR/SB) 3:21; Peter Ruiz (HH/W-R) pin Jake Knight (M) :12; Darius Charles (OT) pin William Duarte (L/PP) 1:20; Gal Levy (FL) pin Dan Longo (IH) 1:16; Kevin Alberque (RP/R) pin Jeremy Vrtis (W/MP), 3:13; Juvaunne Gordon (H) pin Kevan Keelan (RD), 1:06; Tyler Mealy (B/W) pin Derek Nevil (T) 3:00; Patrick Johns (Rms) dec. John Delduca (Rmp), 7-2; Jared Vergara (PH) pin Eric Eucker (We), 3:08; Vince Silano (SJ) pin Christian Kistoo (PC) :32; Mike Paskas (Ru) pin Chris Paladino (BC) 1:15; Johansi Rivera (FtL) t.f. Sebastian Assis (EP), 16-1.

152: Matt Ellsworth (BC) pin Paul Adam (M), :36; Adrian Fernandez (RD) pin Abdullah Rabie (Rmp), :58; Justin Mullen (OT) pin Pat Fedick (P) 1:48; Chris Duran (NB) t.f. Alex Deravanesian (NM) 16-1; Jimmy McWilliams (Rms) m.d. Roman Torres (G) 8-0; C.J. Levin (T) pin Ryan Mangan (W/MP), 2:56; Niko Tsolakidis (D) pin Mike DeCotiis (PV) 1:07; Gabe Mena (We) m.d. William Mora (H) 10-0; Mike Moore (FL) pin Christian Calabrese (L/PP) 3:47; Bobby Franklin (Ri) pin Michael Arnold (Du), 5:22; Chris Durante (P) m.d. Todd Muoio (HH/W-R) 9-1; Josh Feorand (EP) dec. Joe Ambrosio (L) 8-7 OT; Wilson Tapia (B) pin Cody Lester (NH) :22; Christian Rota (Ri) pin Andrew Hodulik (HH/W-R) :53; James Dugan (B/W) pin Dom Whitaker (SJ) 3:50.

160: Tyler Napoleone (G) pin Alex Cialone (OT) 2:43; Steve Macko (Rms) pin Mark Naseef (L/NA) 4:36; Ryan Melley (RP/R) pin Mike Pansolini (PV) 1:01; Badar Khokhar (NH) pin Steve Zeoli (W/MP) 3:17; Dylan Walling (D) pin Ricky Rizzo (RD) 2:59; Mike Mordaga (P) pin Hons Seri (B) 4:26; Jake Regina (Ru) dec. Ronny Stecher (GR/SB) 11-5; Ian Giacobbe (IH) pin Joe Hwang (We) 3:29; Ryan Sblendorio (M) pin Kevin Dagger (Bo/W) :33; Mike Szwed (FL) pin Paul Devita (PC) :31; Frank Mattiace (DB) pin Derek Garcia (L) :46; Mike Yi (CP) dec. Ryan Ferriera (QP), 9-2; Isaac Morales (NB) pin Jihad Faleh (EP), 1:17.

171: Willie Phillips (B) pin Ivan Mikhaylishin (FL) :39; Vince Nicoletti (IH) pin Javier Adames (L) 1:54; Pat Cotrell (PH) pin John Paluskiewicz (L/PP) 2:36; Matt Fava (DB) pin Felix Andujar (Bo/W), 3:53; Lukas Iorio (BC) dec. Derick Layne (D) 4-0; Mike KhouRy (SJ) pin Joe Benigno (PV) 1:41; Nate Leer (T) pin Devin DiGiacopo (M) 2:35; Victor Kipiani (Rmp) pin Justin Castello (PC) :26; Kieran Keelan (RD) pin Matt Tozi (P) 2:59; Johnny Gonzalez (B/W) pin Anthony Sudol (Du) 3:41; Keith Rodman (OT) pin Sal Ciambrello (NM) 3:34; Chris Motichka (L/NA) m.d. Taffadzwa Mushandu (FL) 8-0; Zach Bascio (NH) dec. Matt Damato (Rms), 10-9; Eric Torres (EP) pin Nick Benitez (W/MP), 1:24; Dylan Pellegrino (GR/SB) t.f. Percy Ramos (G) 15-0, 3:40.

189: Brendan Wengerter (C) pin Jake Ommundsen (FL) 1:18; Jared Schlett (GR/SB) pin Mario Foti (L/NA) :52; Evan Smith (H) pin Abel Rosario (PC) :33; Christ Escolastico (D) m.d. Zach Klein (Rms), 14-6; Joe Voto (PV) pin Mohammed Ramadan (EP) 2:41; Ray Donnelly (OT) t.f. Jamal Mahmoud (B/W), 16-1; Gordon Ruffing (Ri) dec. Ryan Casey (SJ) 6-3; Fred Zott (RD) pin Ryan Cottrell (PH) 1:11; Anthony Mordaga (P) pin Dan Delpercio (G) 1:09; Jack Bandazian (Rmp) pin Michael Otsuka (BC), 2:57; Mike Scrozzo (QP) pin Demir Radoncic (FtL), 1:20; Rich Torres (B) pin Zack Preshel (T) 1:50; Kevin Yali (W/MP) pin Dan Hurwitt (NH) 2:54; David Zurla (Ru) m.d. James Favia (NM) 9-0; Francisco Yanes (NB) dec. Ryan Walker (M) 12-8; Razhon Gross (DB) dec. Nick Barone (We), 6-4.

215: Joe Schlossberg (RD) pin Ray Kim (C) :53; Mike Gerbasio (Ru) pin Zuka Sakhvadze (L/PP) 1:04; Byron Blake (Rms) pin Scott Bartlett (L/NA) 1:19; Abo Mahmoud (B/W) pin Calvin Rodriguez (L) 1:33; Shawn Coward (B) pin Mike Abatayo (T), 2:20; Abdel Abo-Zed (RP/R) pin Paul Illige (IH) 1:23; Nick Garcia (NB) pin Phil Vorderstrasse (W/MP), 1:27; Matt Mecca (NH) pin Pat Taranto (Rmp), 1:24; Nick Pallatta (We) dec. Lawrence Chan (BC) 4-2; Mehyar Afkari (D) pin Fernando Garip (PC) 2:30; Lucas Sardo (P) dec. Anthony Vesce (M) 5-3; Phil Beahm (PV) dec. Steven Sherlock (FL) 7-4.

285: Cody Mann (M) pin Ryan O'Donnell (SJ) :28; Andrew Benevuto (DB) dec. Jonathan Long (H) 3-1; Besim Tonuzi (PH) dec. Mike Roberts (P) 5-2; Adam Polisi (FL) pin Dominic Hertling (L/NA) :49; Adam Ortiz (Ru) pin Joe Dinnerstein (C) 1:30; Jeff Rodriguez (L) dec. Thomas Kharizhanovsky (FtL), 5-3; Frank Astarita (Du) pin Jacob Chang (Rms), 1:19; Jeffrey Della Fuente (CP) dec. Carmine Goldsack (BC) 3-2; James Remza (IH) dec. Ricardo Sanchez (PC), 7-6; Abe Malki (EP) pin Alex Kim (RD), 3:33.

THIRD ROUND

103: Brian Schneider (H) pin MontgomeRy :25; Nick Gravina (NH) pin Billy Reardon (DB) 5:48; Matt McKay (We) pin Zach Bergger (Bo/W), 1:52; Trevor Albrecht (BC) m.d. Dan Melon (P) 10-0; Joe Baldicanas (PC) m.d. Moreale, 22-9; Jesse Massaro (OT) dec. Matthew Joskowitz (CP), 4-1; Austin Cantone (SJ) dec. Christian Negron (B), 4-2; Brendan Campbell (RD) dec. Justin Scheinert (Rmp), 5-4.
112: Steuben pin Pterski, 5:26; Anthony Miuccio (OT) pin Lobo, 1:07; Casper pin Trujillo, 2:45; Rottingen pin Jiminez, 2:54; Buonomo pin Manginelli, 4:12; Scheinert pin Laurice, 6:38; Nadera dec. Tyson, 7-1; Guerriero pin Alorro, :35.
119: Albonico pin Goldstein, 4:17; Grigorian m.d. Morejon, 13-1; Giovanetti dec. Warrad, 9-2; Mitchell dec. Schneider, 1-0; Slater m.d. Gerald, 13-0; Reyes t.f. Inducci, 18-2, 5:21; Monteforte m.d. Rusch, 11-3; Ressler dec. Cardona, 6-5.
125: Polidore t.f. Mutterer, 17-0; Maselli pin Champy, 3:22; Provenzano dec. Villanueva, 5-2; Melde t.f. Dembowski, 15-0; Quinones dec. Rizzitello, 6-2; Getto dec. Mastropietro, 6-2; Giovanetti pin John, 3:28; Valle dec. Leidig, 4-1.
130: Romero pin Mealy, 4:57; Guarriello pin Torres, 1:50; Frank Cagnina (QP) dec. Dawson, 8-1; Mangini pin Jacobson, 4:37; Bandstra dec. Budnick, 5-4; DeQuinzio pin Musalae, :57; Quintero dec. Powell, 7-0; Alorro pin Nacco, 5:05.
135: Dan Rehain (NH) pin Aristazable, :30; Vin Fava (EP) pin Spangler, 1:57; James DiGregorio (E/PR) pin Sheridan, 1:41; Jake Bogosian (OT) pin Bandstra, :55; Reynoso inj. def. Stugart, 1:42; Baranello dec. Nick Madormo (Rmp), 2-1; Zach Zotollo (P) pin Mobilio, 1:40; Moore pin Farino, 4:30.
140: Boyle pin Canizales, 1:28; DiMitre pin Caberra, 1:30; Dickman pin Flesche, :35; Sam Pietrantuono (Ri), dec. Guilarte, 8-3; Nick Alpher (P) dec. Cocheri, 5-0; LaGreca pin Marrero, 5:53; Sal Mastriani (DB) dec. Molamusa, 9-4; Barahona dec. Vecchione, 4-1.
145: Charles pin Buonomo, 4:24; Gramaglia pin Gordon, 3:55; Dombroski m.d. Marrero, 17-5; Silano dec. Mealy, 3-0; Paskas t.f. Vergara, 19-3; Woods dec. Levy, 4-0; Rivera m.d. Johns, 17-6; Ruiz t.f. Alberque, 17-0.
152: Jason Dack (DB) t.f. McWilliams, 16-1, 4:00; Duran pin Ellsworth, :49; Durante pin Mullen, 3:21; Moore pin Tapia, 1:34; Dugan t.f. Levin, 3:26; Tsolakidis pin Mena, 1:15; Alex Cimiluca (GR/SB) dec. Bobby Franklin (Ri), 5-4; Fernandez dec. Feoraud, 5-2.
160: Keith Switzer (BC) pin Khokhar, 1:03; Dane McDermott (SJ) pin Giacobbe, 2:12; Macko pin Napoleone, 5:35; Morales dec. Walling, 9-6; Sblendorio pin Rota, 3:29; Melley dec. Yi, 8-5; Mordaga t.f. Regina, 18-2; Mattiace pin Szwed, 3:03.

171: Kipiani pin Phillips, :23; KhouRy pin Bascio, 1:21; Jamie Westwood (QP) m.d. Iorio, 17-6; Keelan pin Fava, 5:57; Torres t.f. Rodman, 15-0, 3:57; Leer pin Gonzalez, 3:27; Motichka m.d. Pellegrino, 9-0; Nicoletti dec. Cotrell, 14-8.
189: Wengerter pin Escolastico, 1:24; Torres pin Ruffing, 2:16; Mordaga pin Bandazian, 2:32; Zott pin Smith, 1:53; Yali pin Yanes, 3:27; Zurla pin Voto, 4:35; Donnelly m.d. Schlett, 14-6; Gross dec. Scrozzo, 3-2.
215: Pallatta pin Sahdo, 1:10; Phil McCue (SJ) m.d. Schlossberg, 15-6; Dan Lewitt (GR/SB) dec. Benvenuto, 10-9; Mahmoud pin Blake, 3:32; Gerbasio dec. Abo-Zed, 5-3; Coward pin Garcia, 5:23; Mecca pin Beahm, 1:00; Iki Okunlola (OT) pin Afkari, 2:36.
285: Michael Shannon (OT) pin Adam Ortiz (Ru), 1:02; Polisi pin Bobby Reise (Bo/W), 1:02; Jonathan Price (H) pin Tonuzi, 1:44; Abe Malki (EP) pin Della Fuente, 4:20; Rodriguez dec. Ryan MacIver (PV), 3-2; Mann dec. Kurt Schmitz (DB), 3-1 OT; Jimmy Uzzalino (Ri) pin Astarita, 2:29; Joe Ortiz (RP/R) pin Remza, 3:00.

QUARTERFINALS

103: Albrecht pin McKay, 3:40; Massaro dec. Baldicanas, 6-0; Cantone dec. Campbell, 5-0; Gravina pin Schneider, 5:38.
112: Rottingen pin Buonomo, 3:37; Miuccio dec. Scheinert, 6-0; Nadera pin Guerriero, 5:45; Steuben dec. Casper, 8-3.
119: Albonico dec. Ressler, 7-2; Mitchell dec. Reyes, 4-2; Grigorian dec. Monteforte, 6-4; Slater dec. Giovanetti, 5-1.
125: Polidore t.f. Maselli, 16-1, 4:31; Giovanetti pin Provenzano, 1:44; Melde pin Valle, 3:36; Quinones dec. Getto, 8-7.
130: Cagnina pin Bandstra, :51; Quintero pin Mangini, :13; DeQuinzio t.f. Alorro, 18-3; Guarriello pin Romero, 1:34.
135: Fava pin Reynoso, :49; Zotollo m.d. DiGregorio, 10-0; Rehain m.d. Moore, 9-1; Baranello dec. Bogosian, 8-5.
140: Alpher dec. Boyle, 3-2; Pietrantuono dec. Barahona, 6-1; DiMitre pin Dickman, 6:18; Mastriani m.d. LaGreca, 15-2.
145: Woods dec. Ruiz, 4-1; Rivera dec. Gramaglia, 19-12; Paskas dec. Silano, 4-2; Charles dec. Dombroski, 5-4.
152: Dugan pin Moore, 2:38; Cimiluca dec. Durante, 2-1; Duran dec. Dack, 3-2; Fernandez dec. Tsolakidis, 3-2.
160: Mordaga pin Melley, 2:39; Sblendorio pin Morales, 1:57; McDermott dec. Mattiace, 3-2; Switzer m.d. Macko, 18-6.
171: KhouRy pin Leer, 5:07; Westwood t.f. Nicoletti, 20-5; Kipiani dec. Keelan, 2-1; Torres dec. Motichka 3-2 OT.
189: Donnelly pin Zurla, 1:50; Wengerter m.d. Torres, 17-5; Yali dec. Mordaga, 5-3; Gross dec. Zott, 15-11.
215: McCue pin Coward, 5:37; Okunlola pin Pallatta, 2:20; Mahmoud pin Gerbasio, 5:33; Mecca dec. Lewitt, 9-7.
285: Shannon pin Rodriguez, 1:44; Price pin Malki, :56; Ortiz dec. Mann, 17-12; Uzzalino pin Polisi, 2:36.

Wed Dec 30, 2009

'Screwy Louie' gets due

It's OK to say it, the biggest wrestling fan in the state of New Jersey is a little Screwy.

Born Louis Peter Lazzari, he is better known to one and all as the encyclopedia of wrestling knowledge and by the nickname "Screwy Louie."

"My parents didn't like it at first," laughed Lazzari on Thursday, still recovering after the BCCA holiday tournament. "But it's not bad. I told them, 'It's not crazy, it's screwy, there is a difference.'"

Like all things in Lazzari's life the nickname has a wrestling connection. It was given to him by Gene Mills, a four-time All-American and member of the 1980 Olympic team, which didn't compete in the Games that year.

That's just one of a million facts Lazzari can tell you about the sport that he enjoys. He puts over 40,000 miles a year on his car traveling to wrestling matches in New Jersey and, heck, elsewhere in the United States. He still does some coaching, has an extensive Web site and until recently still was wrestling at 152 pounds.

Because of his undeniable love of the sport, Lazzari was honored at the BCCA tournament with the William F. Powley Memorial Service to Wrestling Award.

"When [tournament co-director] Jack McCarty told me I was winning this award, I thought he was kidding me. I looked at the list of other winners, and these guys are the history of Bergen County wrestling," said the Cliffside Park graduate. "This was something really special."

It's a history Lazzari has witnessed. He remembers attending his first BCCA tourney in 1973 to check out a rival from Passaic Valley. Now he brings a video camera and sits on the edge of the mat just like the little kids – their smiles as wide as his.

"I have gotten everything I can cling to in my life from wrestling," said Lazzari. "How to conduct yourself, how you compete hard, but don't do anything unsportsmanlike. The three D's: discipline, dedication and determination."

Lazzari just turned 53, and he was diagnosed with high blood pressure. So his doctor told him to watch a wrestling match a day, because that's what makes him happy. He shows no sign of slowing down.

"When the season really kicks in and I watch a big match and see the crowd get into it, that always pumps me up," he said. "I always think this could be the year that something happens that has never happened before. I still get pumped and into it."

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Fifty years of mat mania

By **STEFAN BONDY**
STAFF WRITER

SUFFERN, N.Y. – Joe Mocco quickly fell back into the routine, 2,500 miles from home and 23 years since attending his last BCCA Holiday tournament.

The Fair Lawn graduate chatted with old teammates and adversaries, discussing, among other things, wrestling techniques. He recognized the announcer, Joe Housmann, who also commanded the microphone when Mocco won the 140-pound title in 1986.

“You see these guys and it’s like you don’t miss a beat,” Mocco said. “You haven’t seen anyone for 20 years; you see them at this tournament, and now the only difference is you see them with a bunch of kids.”

Mocco was one of 47 former wrestlers honored Wednesday at the 50th anniversary of the BCCA Holiday tournament, the State’s longest running County event. Five all-tournament teams were named by decade – starting with the 1960s – turning the ceremony into a living timeline of Bergen County wrestling history.

Mocco, a Las Vegas resident, extended his

Former stars out for the celebration

vacation to accept his plaque.

“It brings back memories,” he said. “The wrestling world is a close group. It’s a small group, but it’s a close group.”

While Mocco traveled the most miles to attend, another Fair Lawn graduate, Tom Bocchino, logged the most years.

Bocchino, a Franklin Lakes resident, won the 136-pound title as a senior in the inaugural tournament in 1960. Back then, the brainchild of former Tenafly coach Jack Armstrong was held at River Dell and featured 16 teams. The mats were borrowed from Fairleigh Dickinson University.

“It was a tough tournament because it was between Christmas and New Year’s and I had to make weight,” Bocchino said. “I put on 15 pounds after the tournament.”

Attending its latest incarnation at Rockland Community College – after 15 venues and an expansion to 41 teams – Bocchino was impressed by his longevity.

“I can’t believe I’m still around 50 years

later,” said Bocchino, who won a State title and wrestled at New York University.

Perhaps the most decorated wrestler at the ceremony was 1968 Bergenfield graduate Ed Kochakji, the only three-time winner of the BCCA and State tournaments. He also is one of four wrestlers to twice earn the BCCA’s Outstanding Wrestler Award.

Although the venue and size of the tournament has changed dramatically, Kochakji said the basic premise remains the same.

“There’s excitement because it’s a holiday tournament. It’s the coming-out party for the County wrestlers,” said the Montvale resident. “If you can get through this, usually you can place somewhere in the States or win a State title. It’s a big deal.”

Kochakji was honored before Wednesday’s finals as one of 17 wrestlers to win three titles. About three hours later, that group got smaller.

Queen of Peace’s Frank Cagnina defeated North Bergen’s Julian Quintero to capture his fourth title, becoming just the fifth wrestler to win in each of his high school years.

It spoke to the 50-year principle of the BCCA tournament: growth.

SJR senior holds off QP's State medalist

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By **GREGORY SCHUTTA**
STAFF WRITER

SUFFERN, N.Y. — Mike Khoury's best takedown of the night didn't even come on the mat at the 50th annual BCCA George Jockish Holiday Wrestling Tournament.

Moments after stunning returning State place-winner Jamie Westwood of Queen of Peace to win the 171-pound title Wednesday, Khoury leapt into the arms of his father, sending both down in a heap surrounded by a throng of well-wishers.

"I was so happy," the senior from St. Joseph said after his 3-2 win. "I knew Jamie was going to be one of the toughest competitors I would see all year, and he wrestled tough."

Old Tappan became the second straight public school to win the team title after nearly 20 years of non-public domination by holding off reigning champion Paramus, 166.5-156.5. St. Joseph was third with 143.5.

Frank Cagnina made history on a day tournament officials honored their 50-year history by becoming just the fifth wrestler to win four BCCA titles. He pinned North Bergen's Julian Quintero in 5:30 at 130 pounds to win the tournament's Most Outstanding Wrestler award.

The bout between Khoury and Westwood was a low-scoring affair, scoreless after one and tied at 2 after Khoury started the third period with an escape.

Midway through the third, Khoury took down Westwood for a 3-1 lead

and the Queen of Peace senior countered with an escape to cut the lead to 3-2.

A stoppage with 13 seconds left gave Khoury a chance to think about what was about to happen.

"I looked at the clock and I'm thinking that it's the last 13 seconds and I can't give it up," he said. "That's a lot of pressure."

But Khoury was up to the challenge, taking the first of two titles for the Green Knights. Senior Phil McCue followed moments later by winning the 215-pound championship.

St. Joseph was the only team with more than one champion as 14 champs came from 13 schools. Mike Shannon outlasted top-seeded Jonathan Price of Hackensack, 4-3, at 285 to avenge a loss to the Comets' senior in last year's region tournament. It led Old Tappan to its first title.

"It's a big deal, especially for this group of six or seven seniors," said Shannon, the Knights' first champion since Raffi Oghlian in 1991. "We went in with the goal of winning the team tournament, and I'm a lot happier about us winning as a team than the individual stuff."

The Knights had one champ, two seconds, a third, a fourth and a sixth.

"I'm happiest that it was a team effort," said OT coach Rob Ortiz, who wrestled at Paramus where his brother Joe wrestled and father Joe was an assistant coach until last year. "We really didn't have a bad round. We got a lot of pins early to build up a nice lead and the quarterfinals were big

when we won six of our seven matches."

Johansi Rivera of Fort Lee (145) scored five takedowns on the way to an 11-5 victory over Rutherford's Mike Paskas to cap a tournament in which

he scored 75 points in five bouts and became the first BCCA champ for the Bridgemen since Brad Christie won back-to-back titles in 1997 and 1998.

"It's been a long time since Fort Lee had a champion and I'm very happy to

bring it back here," Rivera said. "Nobody really knows me, but I want to change that. I want to be the first State champion in Fort Lee."

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AT ROCKLAND CC

TEAM SCORES: Old Tappan (OT) 166½; Paramus (P) 156½; St. Joseph (SJ) 143½; Don Bosco (DB) 139½; Bergen Catholic (BC) 138½; North Bergen (NB) 111; Fair Lawn (FL) 104; Ridgewood (RW) 101; Northern Highlands (NH) 99; Emerson/Park Ridge (EPR) 93; Glen Rock/Saddle Brook (GRSB) 88; Queen of Peace (QP) 86½; Elmwood Park (EP) 79½; River Dell (RD) 79; Becton/Wallington (BW) 78; Rutherford (RU) 72½; Hackensack (H) 62; Bergenfield (B) 59; Ramapo (Rpo) 59; Ramsey (Ry) 59; Ridgefield Park/Ridgefield (RPR) 58; Cresskill (C) 50; Mahwah (M) 49; Indian Hills (IH) 48; Waldwick/Midland Park (WMP) 43; Hasbrouck Heights/Wood-Ridge (HHWR) 42½; Demarest (D) 39; Pascack Valley (PV) 28; Fort Lee (FoL) 30½; Dumont (Du) 23; Lyndhurst/North Arlington (LNA) 21; Teaneck (T) 21; Paramus Catholic (PC) 20; Cliffs Park (CP) 19; Pascack Hills (PH) 19; Westwood (Ww) 17; Bogota/Weehawken (BoW) 12; Garfield (G) 7; Lodi (L) 6; New Milford (NM) 2.

SEMIFINALS

103: Nick Gravina (NH) dec. Trevor Albrecht (BC), 4-0; Austin Cantone (SJ) dec. Jesse Massaro (OT), 2-0.
112: Anthony Miuccio (OT) pin Brandon Stueben (NH), 1:06; Tony Nadera (P) dec. Jeff Rottingen (RSY), 3-2.
119: Charlie Mitchell (BC) dec. Darryl Albonico (SJ), 3-2; Sergio Grigorian (FL) dec. Chuckie Slater (RY), 6-3.
125: Andrew Polidore (QP) m.d. Angel Quinones (NB), 10-1; Connor Melde (BC) dec. Ryan Giovanetti (RW), 5-1.
130: Julian Quintero (NB) pin Joe DeQuinzio (HHWR), :42; Frank Cagnina (QP) m.d. Nick Guarriello (EPR), 19-6.
135: Vinny Fava (EP) pin Nick Baranello (RD), 1:07; Zach Zotollo (P) pin Dan Rehain (NH), 2:49.
140: Vince DiMitre (FL) dec. Sam Pietrantonio (RW), 8-6; Nick Alpher (P) dec. Sal Mastriani (DB), 9-7.
145: Mike Paskas (RU) dec. Charlie Woods (D), 4-3; Johansi Rivera (FoL) m.d. Darius Charles (OT), 12-4.
152: James Dugan (BW) tech fall Alex Cimiluca (GRSB), 22-7; Chris Duran (NB) dec. Adrian Fernandez (RD), 7-3.
160: Ryan Sblendorio (M) pin Dane McDermott (SJ), 1:15; Mike Mordaga (P) dec. Keith Switzer (BC), 9-2.

171: Jamie Westwood (QP) pin Victor Kipiani (RPO), 1:17; Mike Khoury (SJ) dec. Eric Torres (EP), 3-1.

189: Kevin Yali (WMP) dec. Razhon Gross (DB), 15-11; Brendan Wengerter (C) dec. Ray Donnelly (OT), 4-3.

215: Iya Okunlola (OT) dec. Matt Mecca (NH), 10-4; Phil McCue (SJ) dec. Abo Mahmoud (BW), 5-2.

285: Jonathan Price (H) pin Joe Ortiz (RPR), 2:44; Mike Shannon (OT) dec. Jimmy Uzzalino (RW), 5-1.

FIFTH PLACE

103: Brian Schneider (H) pin Billy Rear- don (DB), 1:26. **112:** Tommy Casper (BC) dec. Mike Laurice (IH), 4-3. **119:** Steve Schneider (EPR) m.d. Jorge Reyes (NB), 15-4. **125:** Nick Maselli (EPR) m.d. Joe Rizzitello (P), 13-2. **130:** James Dawson (DB) m.d. Matt Jacobson (GRSB), 8-0.

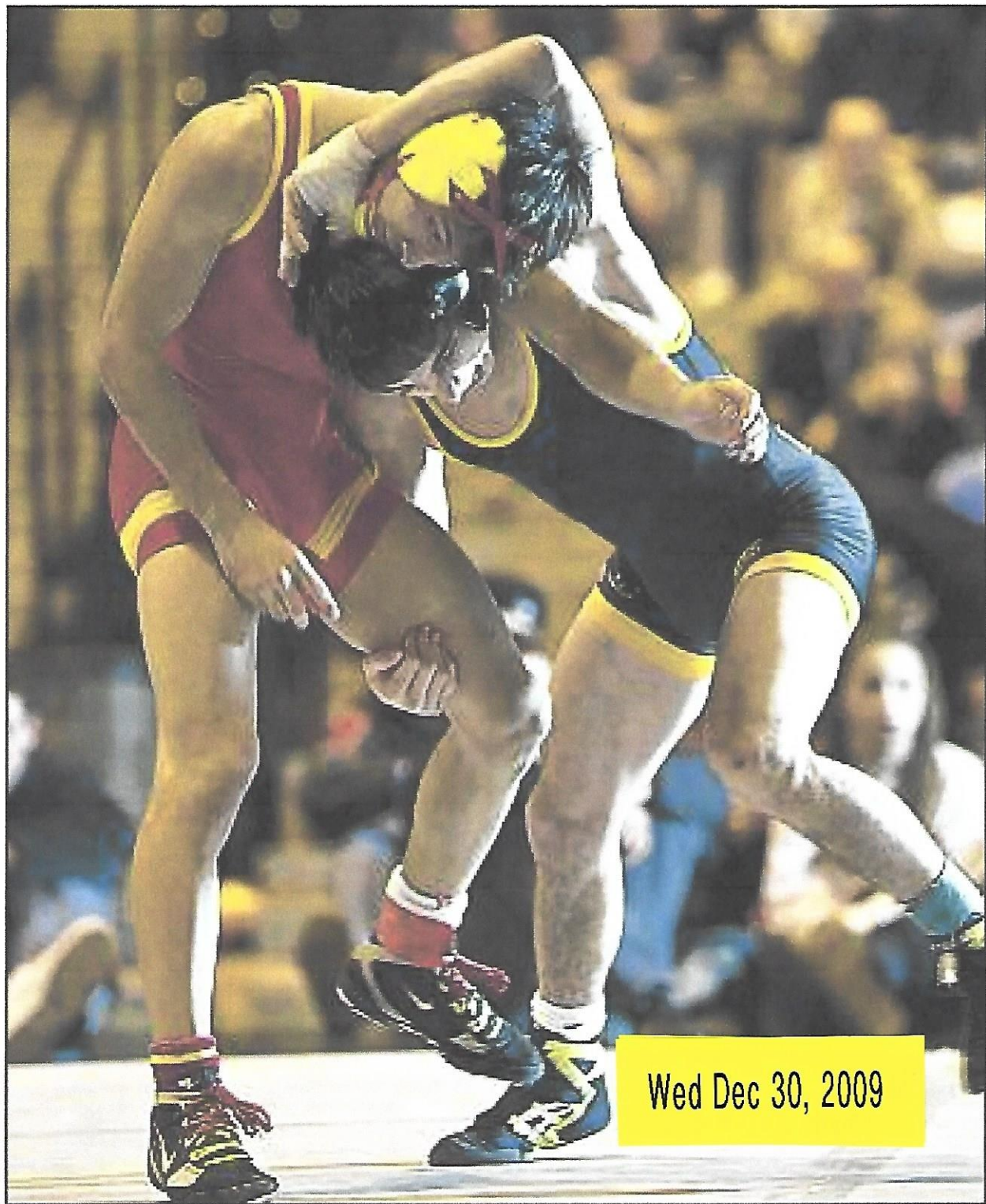
135: James DiGregorio (EPR) dec. Jake Bogosian (OT), 4-3. **140:** John Boyle (RU) dec. Matt Dickman (GRSB), 4-1. **145:** Andrew Gramaglia (RW) pin Vince Silano (SJ), 5:45. **152:** Chris Durante (P) dec. Jason Dack (DB), 2-1 (OT). **160:** Frank Mattiace (DB) m.d. Ryan Melley (RPR), 12-2. **171:** Vince Nicoletti (IH) pin Nate Leer (T), 5:14. **189:** Jared Schlett (GRSB) dec. Francisco Yanes (NB), 6-1. **215:** Andrew Benvenuto (DB) pin Joe Schlossberg (RD), 1:57. **285:** Kurt Schmitz (DB) dec. Cody Mann (M), 9-7.

THIRD PLACE

103: Albrecht dec. Massaro, 7-0. **112:** Rottingen dec. Stueben, 8-3. **119:** Albonico dec. Slater, 5-2. **125:** Giovanetti dec. Quinones, 2-0. **130:** DeQuinzio tech fall Guarriello, 15-0, 4:17. **135:** Baranello dec. Rehain, 3-2. **140:** Mastriani dec. Pietrantonio, 6-4. **145:** Charles dec. Woods, 8-5. **152:** Cimiluca dec. Fernandez, 5-4. **160:** Switzer dec. McDermott, 5-4. **171:** Torres pin Kipiani, 5:44. **189:** Gross pin Donnelly, 3:41. **215:** Mahmoud dec. Mecca, 3-1. **285:** Ortiz pin Uzzalino, 1:24.

FINALS

103: Gravina dec. Cantone, 3-2. **112:** Nadera pin Miuccio, 2:50. **119:** Grigorian dec. Mitchell, 6-3. **125:** Melde dec. Polidore, 3-1. **130:** Cagnina pin Quintero, 5:30. **135:** Fava pin Zotollo, 3:14. **140:** Alpher dec. DiMitre, 4-0. **145:** Rivera dec. Paskas, 11-5. **152:** Duran dec. Dugan, 5-3. **160:** Sblendorio dec. Mordaga, 12-9. **171:** Khoury dec. Westwood, 3-2. **189:** Wengerter dec. Yali, 9-6. **215:** McCue dec. Okunlola, 4-1. **285:** Shannon dec. Price, 4-3.



NICK BRANDRETH/SPECIAL TO THE RECORD
Four-time champ Frank Cagnina of Queen of Peace has an unusual single-leg and headlock on Julian Quintero.

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BCCA GEORGE JOCKISH HOLIDAY WRESTLING TOURNAMENT ALL-TIME TEAM

BY DECADE

Bergen County Coaches Association wrestling coaches selected honorees by decade, regardless of weight class. Honorable mention selections had to be a BCCA champion and also meet one of the following criteria: State champion, two- or three-time BCCA champion, State finalist, three BCCA medals and State medal.

1960s

Tom Bocchino (Fair Lawn); Jim Fiore (St. Cecilia); Richard Gilmore (Fair Lawn); Lyle Hough (Pascack Valley); Bob Hurley (Bergenfield); Ed Kochakji (Bergenfield); Gary LaRusso (River Dell); John Lucia (Wayne); Kerin Raftery (Fair Lawn); Bob Whitaker (Ridgewood); Reggie Williams (Hackensack).

Honorable mention

Gerry Banks (Hawthorne); Bill Berry (Pascack Valley); Scott Christie (Glen Rock); James

Cooper (Pascack Valley); Aussie Evans (Ridgewood); Vince Fowlkes (Teaneck); Ken Freitag (Waldwick); Jim Greutert (East Paterson); Ron Leverich (Ridgewood); Roger Locke (East Paterson); Mike Maugeri (Bergenfield); Ken Miller (Tenafly); Joe Murray (Teaneck); Larry Nelson (Pascack Valley); Jim Raftery (Fair Lawn); Stan Sebastian (Hackensack); Mike Ware (Bergenfield); Bob Wilman (Teaneck).

1970s

Steve Bessette (Pascack Hills); Mark Cannon (Ramapo); Chris Catalfo (Pascack Hills); Tim Catalfo (Pascack Hills); John Crowley (North Bergen); Vic Della Torre (River Dell); Scott Furman (Pascack Hills); Tom Husted (Pascack Hills); Bill Nixon (Hackensack); Allen Pascual (North Bergen).

Honorable mention

Rick Babitts (Fair Lawn); Bob Davis (Pascack

Hills); Jim Gravalis (Pascack Hills); Jack Grimaldi (Bergenfield); Dave Irwin (Old Tappan); Dave Laube (Fair Lawn); Walt Mendoza (Hackensack); John Murberg (Old Tappan); Charlie Rigoglioso (Garfield); Brian Surage (Passaic Valley); Mike Tfrank (River Dell); Keith Thornbloom (New Milford).

1980s

Drew Black (Mahwah); John Bott (North Bergen); Ken Carmichael (Paramus); Hamid Chalileh (Waldwick); Pete Gonzalez (Ridgefield Park); Neil Hanley (Paramus); Jack Insera (Pascack Hills); Joe Mocco (Fair Lawn); Tony Van Horn (Park Ridge and Pascack Hills); Brian Wells (Pascack Hills); Neil Wright (Fair Lawn).

Honorable mention

Gary Allmers (Dumont); Marc Cabrera (Cliffside Park); Nelson Cruz (Fort Lee); Tony DiPasquale (Elmwood Park); Tim Do-

herty (Bergen Catholic); Larry Goodman (Paramus); Mike Indorato (Paramus); Steve Jennerich (Rutherford); John Kamens (Fair Lawn); Scott Kemp (Fair Lawn); Gary LiSanti (Rutherford); Frank Manning (Bergenfield); Mike Mazzeo (Emerson); Rob Meehan (Paramus); Craig Messery (Hasbrouck Heights); Gary Miuccio (Bergenfield); Hector Moreno (North Bergen); Tom Pepe (Pascack Hills); John Reese (Fair Lawn); Christian Tirone (Fair Lawn); Andy Van Horn (Pascack Hills).

1990s

Chris Bitetto (Hackensack); Rich Bitetto (Hackensack); Chris Brizzi (Ramsey); Jeff Fazio (Emerson/Park Ridge); Jim Finn (Bergen Catholic); Jason Hernandez (Bergen Catholic); Frank Lodeserto (St. Joseph); Damion Logan (St. Joseph); Erik Norgaard (St. Joseph); Don Pritzlaff (Lyndhurst); Austin Wall (Indian Hills).

Honorable mention

Anthony Aiello (Paramus); Mark Bautis (Lyndhurst); Mike Bassett (Paramus); Brad Christie (Fort Lee); Evan Dolan (Hasbrouck Heights); Mike DeLuca (Lyndhurst); Nick Fokas (Bergen Catholic); Justin Frohlich (Pascack Hills); Ed Galan (Bergen Catholic); David Germakian (Pascack Valley); Steve Hult (Pascack Valley); Karl Norgaard (St. Joseph); Mike Palo (St. Joseph); Oliver Ruiz (Cliffside Park); Dom Santoli (Bergen Catholic); Paul Siemon (Don Bosco); Jason Silverstein (Ramsey); Pete Weiss (Demarest).

2000s

Frank Cagnina (Bergen Catholic and Queen of Peace); Keith Dobish (Lodi); Morgan Horner (Hasbrouck Heights/Wood-Ridge); Mike Massenzio (St. Joseph and Indian Hills); Bryan Nunziato (Bergen Catholic); Rory O'Donnell (St. Joseph); Jerry Rinaldi (Lodi); Fred Santaite (Northern Highlands); Joe Trause (Bergen

Catholic); John Trumbetti (St. Joseph).

Honorable mention

Emmanuel Ajagbe (Bergen Catholic and Bogota/Weehawken); Jonathan Becker (Bergen Catholic); Joe Butcher (Westwood); Glen Cannici (St. Mary and Queen of Peace); Daryl Cocozzo (River Dell); Diego Crespo (Garfield and Paramus Catholic); Bob Dabal (North Bergen); Anthony Dunkin (Dumont); Corey Dunn (Rutherford); Rick Eichenlaub (Pascack Hills); Matt Fusco (Queen of Peace); Dan Glover (Bergenfield); Dave Greenwald (St. Mary); Rob Kaiser (Lodi); Ricky LaForge (Delbarton and Indian Hills); Brian Lucas (Bergen Catholic); Mike Marotta (Wood-Ridge and St. Mary); Dennis McSweeney (Lyndhurst); Matt Morgenstern (Bergen Catholic); Dan Rinaldi (Lodi); Derek Sickles (Bergen Catholic); Matt Spataro (Bergen Catholic); Lukasz Stala (Don Bosco); Sal Tirico (Lodi); Nick Vetterlein (Don Bosco); James Weck (Bergen Catholic).