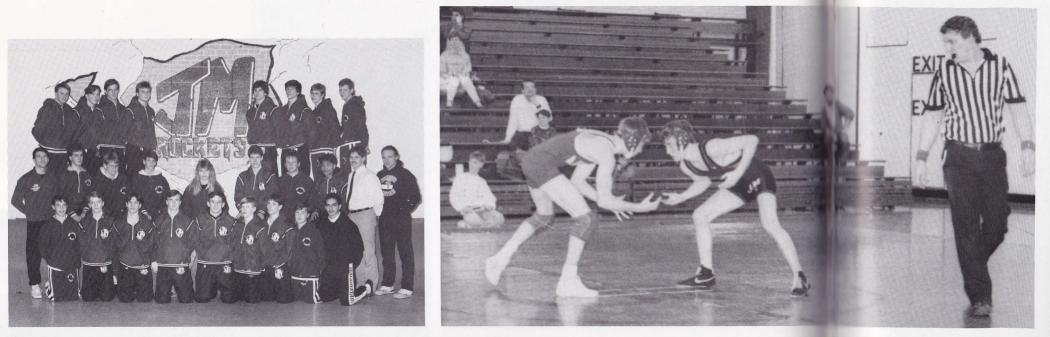
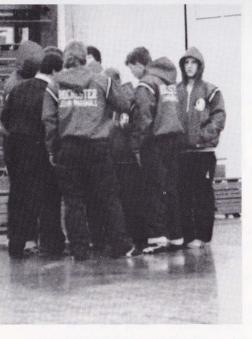
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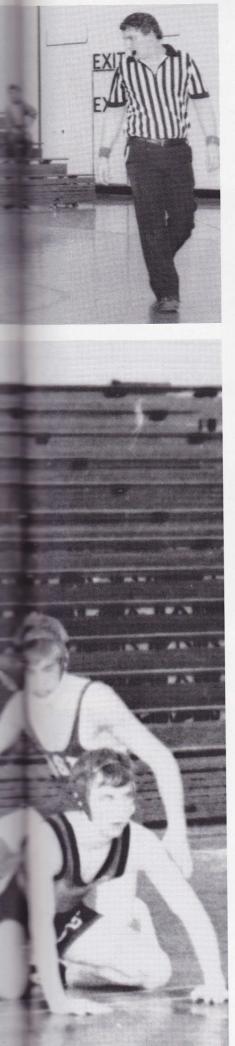


1989-90 JM wrestlers: Front row: Chad Helgemoe, Jared Jex, Scott Brown, Ron Fite, Matt Mazzuchi, Josh Friedt, Cory Brown, Eric Helgemoe, Oscar Cotto. Middle row: Coach Dan Hayes, John Hofstaedter, Josh Holmes, Chris Wittstruck, Manager Pam Bergerson, John Schmitt, Dan Hesse, Tien Danh, Asst. Coach Steve Patton, Asst. Coach Jack Drews. Top row: Randy Fite, Mike Gilbert, Will Schroeder, Dan Larsen, Steve Oldenberg, Frank Ohm, Ted Arrindell, Dave Holmes.

The JM wrestling team gets ready to vie for the Big Nine title.

Ron Fite(11) prepares to wrestle against Mankato East.





JM wrestler Ron Fite(11) grapples with an opponent.

Just before game time, the Rocket wrestlers get last minute instructions from their coach.



Wrestlers reach top half of conference

The 1989-1990 Rocket wrestlers once again tried very hard to reach the top half of the Big Nine Conference.

Coached by Mr. Dan Hayes, Mr. Jack Drews, and Mr. Steve Patton, the Rockets tied Mayo in their last meet, falling short of their goal.

Duing mid-season, the team finished sixth in the eight-team Burnsville Invitational Tournament, but had three wrestlers do very well individually. Dan Larson(11) finished first, Will Schroeder(11) finished second, and Corey Brown(10) third, for their respective weight classes.

The Junior Varsity also made strides this year. Randy Fite(10) finished second in the Big nine Invitational with several of his JV teammates finishing close behind.

The outlook for next year is bright. "We had a good year individually and we'll have most everybody back for next year," stated Will.

Varsity wrestlers were preparing for the Region 1AA Individual Tournament as the *Rochord* went to press.

—by Dan Rustad(11)