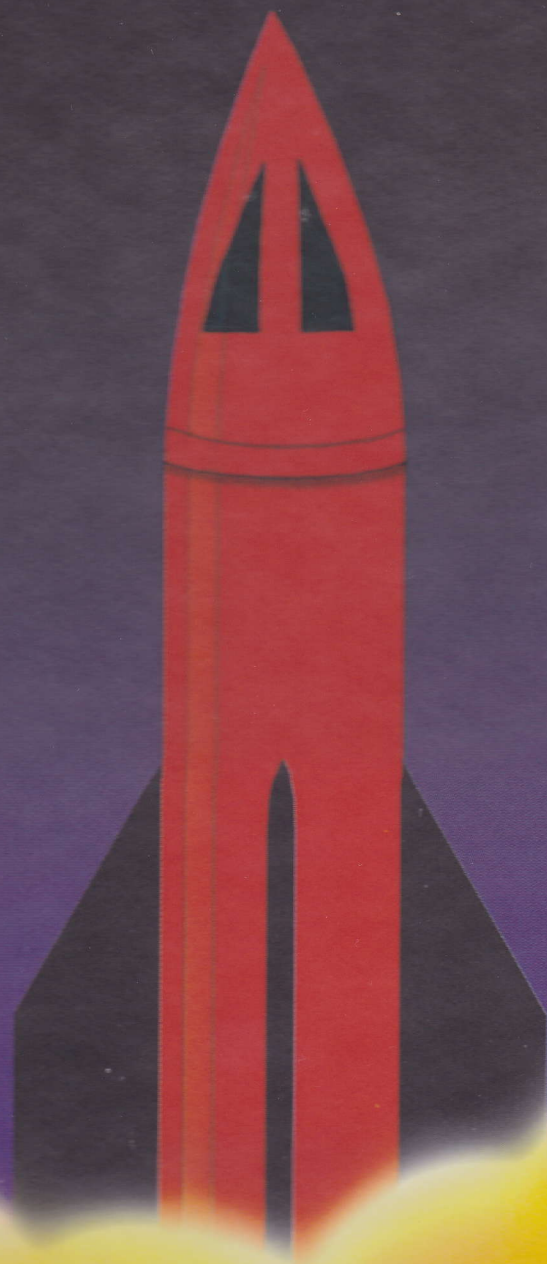


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Gettin' Down on the Mats

By Chris Thompson

John Marshall's wrestling team struggled this season but managed to keep morale and sportsmanship high. After losing their seven upper-weight classes to the 1998 graduation and battling sickness and injury, the Rockets still had four wins. Beating undefeated Minneapolis Roosevelt was the high point of the season along with defeating crosstown rival Century High School.

Although their record did not show it, many individual im-

provements were made. Wrestlers Nick Jenson (12), Brandon Derby (11), Tim Eggert (10), and George Lynaugh (8) showed great leadership and dedication during the season. Shane Thompson (12) and captain Drew Reynolds (12) showed determination, wrestling with both inexperience and injuries.

The team showed courage and style on the mat. They always gave their best and were a team to be proud of.

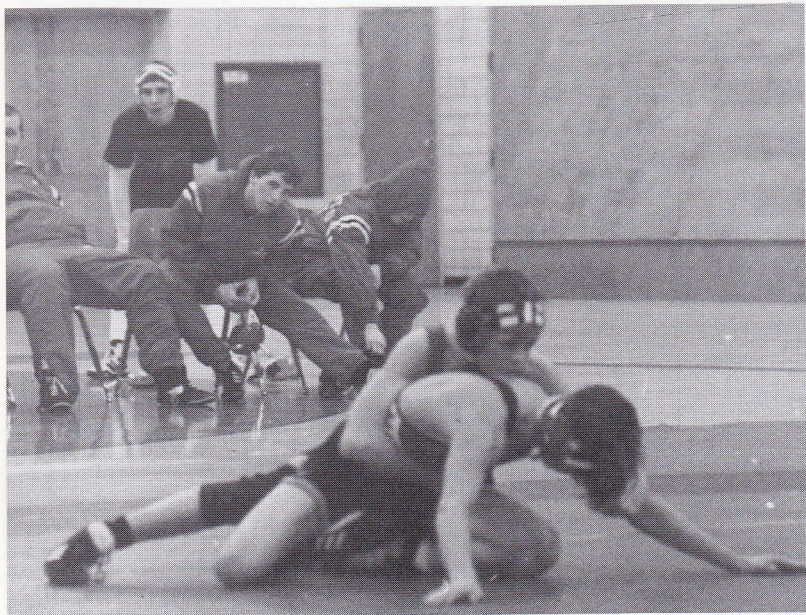
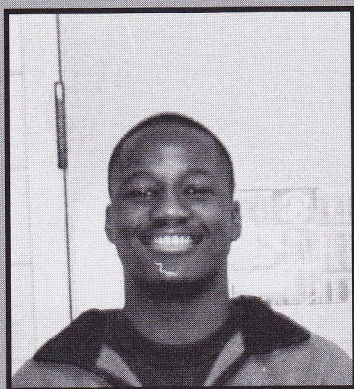


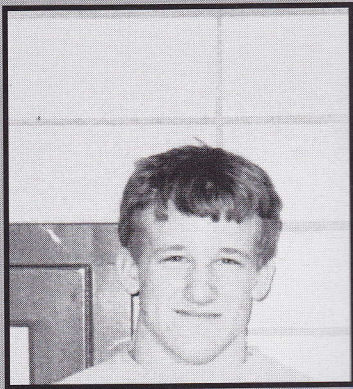
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▲ George Lynaugh (8) gains control of his opponent after scoring a take-down. George scored three more times before pinning his opponent.

Why do you wrestle?



"It's simple...I wrestle for exercise, for respect, for my shorties, for my mother, for the love of the sport...for me."--Danny Pierre (12)



"For the ladies."
--Tim Eggert (10)

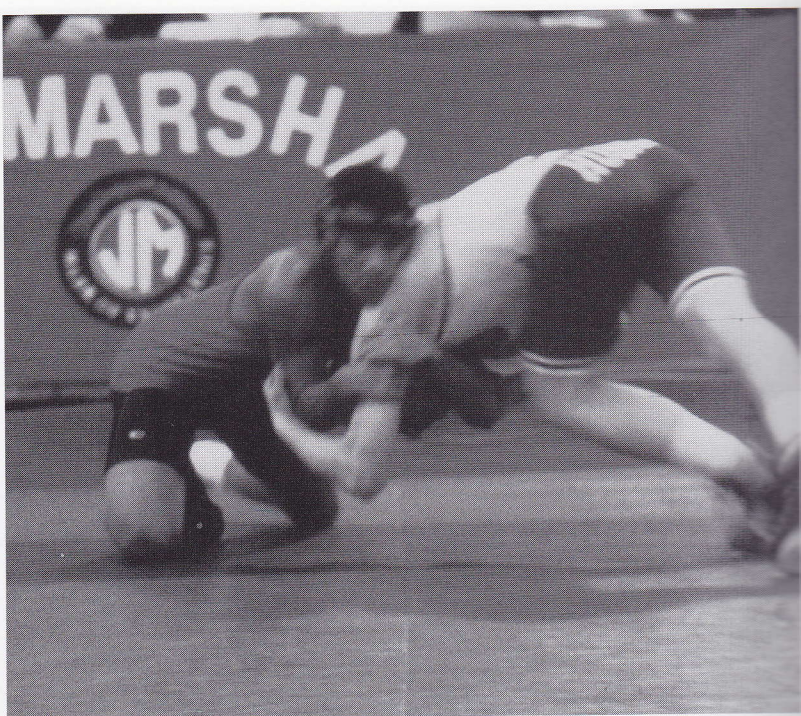
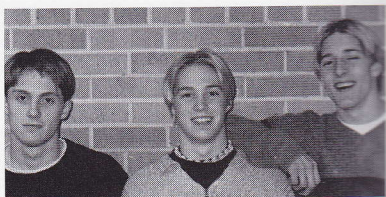


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"WE OBVIOUSLY HAD TO HAVE A BIT OF A DOWN SEASON AFTER A YEAR LIKE LAST YEAR, BUT WITH ALL THE YOUNG KIDS COMING UP, THE FUTURE LOOKS BRIGHT FOR ROCKET WRESTLING."
--DREW REYNOLDS (12)

"WE WEREN'T THE GREATEST, BUT WE MADE A LOT OF IMPROVEMENTS"
--BRANDON DERBY (11)



Captains: Drew Reynolds (12), Brandon Derby (11), and Nick Jenson (12).

"WE HAD A DOWN SEASON, BUT WE HAD A GREAT TEAM THAT SHOWS A LOT OF POTENTIAL AND GUYS WHO WERE A LOT OF FUN...I'LL MISS THEM."
--NICK JENSON (12)

AA Chris Thompson (11) works for a front head-lock on his opponent. He finished his move and got a two point take-down.

✓✓ Brandon Derby (11) ponders his next move.

✓ Nick Jenson (12) represents JM Wrestling by taking it to his opponent. He would go on to win the match.

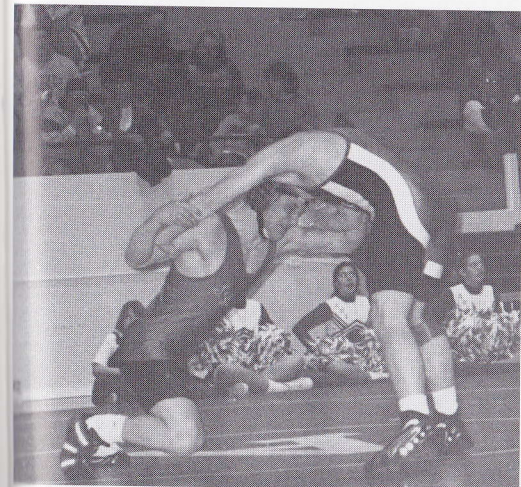


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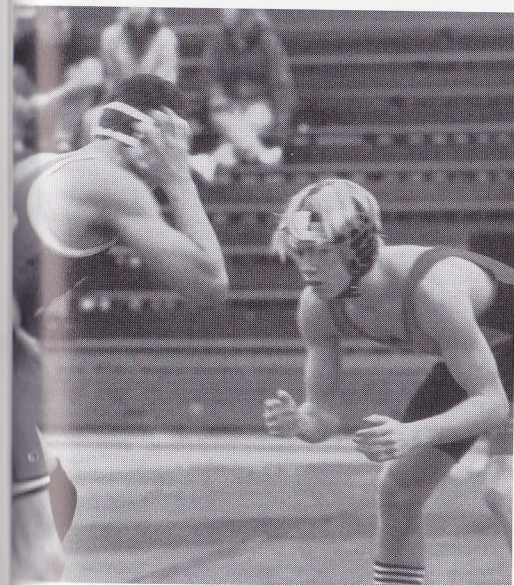


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✓ Tim Eggert (10) takes control of his match. He went on to win his tenth straight match.

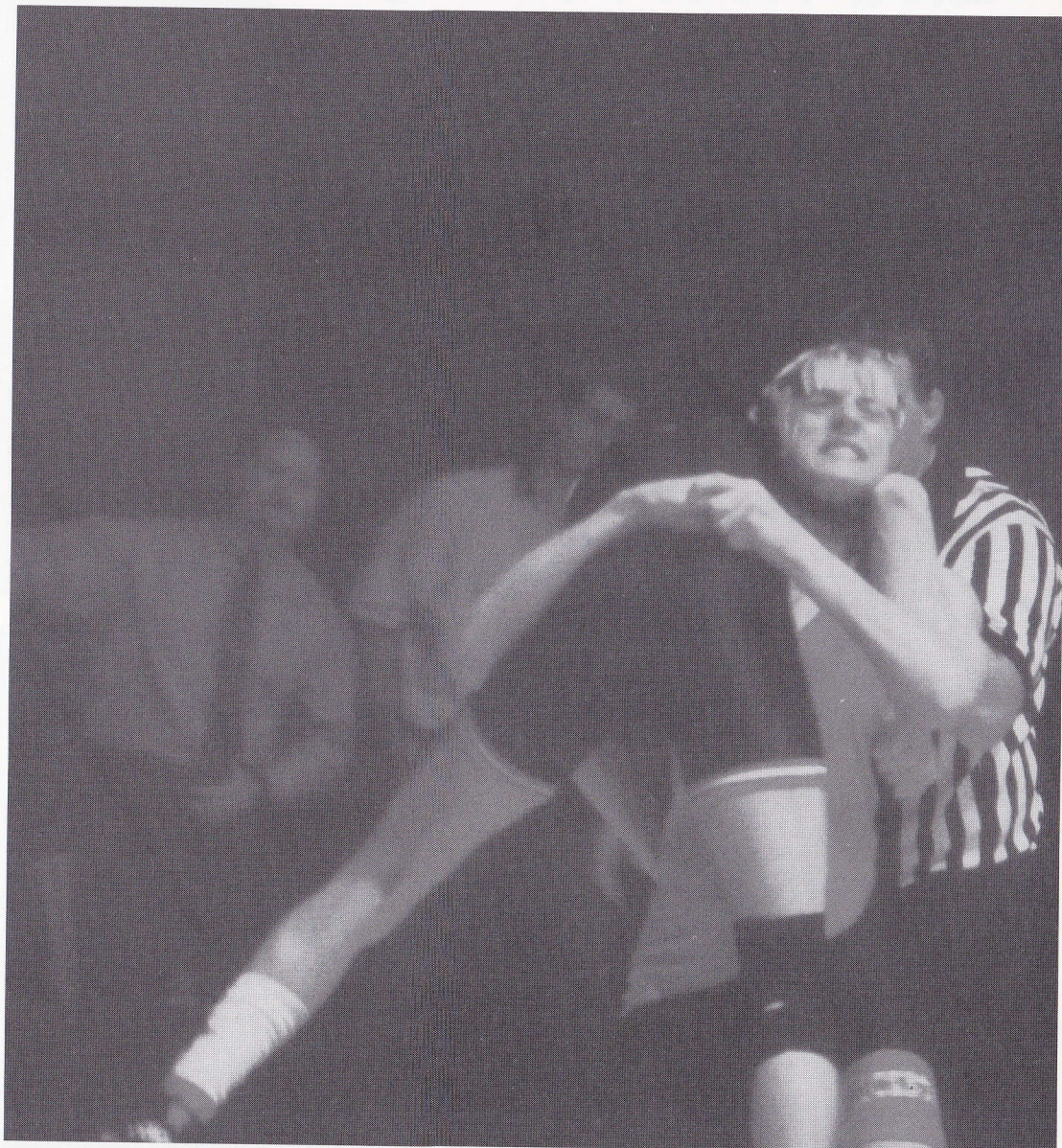


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Wrestling

Opponent

Result

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| Eagan | 30-43 | L |
| Austin | 23-51 | L |
| Mankato East | 45-27 | W |
| Winona | 30-43 | L |
| Owatonna | 17-49 | L |
| Goodhue | 20-45 | L |
| Farmington | 16-36 | L |
| Lakeville | 25-33 | L |
| Eden Prairie | 43-20 | W |
| Grand Meadow | 14-58 | L |
| Albert Lea | 13-49 | L |
| Faribault | 23-32 | L |
| Mayo | 12-40 | L |
| Mankato West | 3-60 | L |
| Ellsworth, WI | 13-43 | L |
| Goodhue | 16-45 | L |
| Minneapolis--Roosevelt | 45-16 | W |
| South St. Paul | 32-36 | L |
| Century | 58-15 | W |
| Austin | 2-64 | L |
| Mankato East | 17-54 | L |



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Wrestling. Front row: C. O'Shaughnessy, S. Eckerson, M. Ollhoff, L. Wrightman. Second row: R. Stevens, D. Fitzgerald, T. Torrez, C. Zenz, J. Boerish, K. Jefferson, M. Torrez, D. Pickett, M. Hovel, Z. Podenski, J. Olson, D. Sawyer, B. Fogg. Third row: J. Skinner, A. Rud, A. Jewell, T. Plagge, S. Jacobson, B. Stein, S. Thompson, I. Berra, B. Borgen, M. Swazy, N. Thornwall, M. Arnold, M. Arnold, M. Graf, M. Chhim, Coach Adams. Back row: Coach Eggert, B. Derby, J. Otterness, Z. Shraufenagel, T. Eggert, N. Jensen, G. Glinski, J. Campion, D. Pierre, S. Savage, C. Thompson, D. Reynolds, G. Lynaugh, B. Knotts, Coach Roan.