



Marshall High School's Keith Baxter ties up McQuaid Jesuit's John Zicari during a City-Catholic League wrestling meet at Marshall High Dec 13. Zicari went on to beat Baxter 16-2 as the Knights (1-2) rolled to a 49-18 victory. Brian Critea/Photo Intern

## ND wrestlers (4-0) proving observers correct

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Expected to excel in 1991-92, Elmira Notre Dame's wrestling team has lived up to its advance billing quite nicely thus far.

The Crusaders have won their first four dual meets: 50-14 over Newark Valley, 50-15 over Odessa-Montour, 39-27 over Corning and 43-21 over Spencer-Candor. Also, Notre Dame placed third in the 10-team Susquehanna Valley Tournament last Saturday, Dec. 14.

"We have a lot of seniors. The kids have come up through the program together, and this is the year they've been looking forward to," said Head Coach Steve Weber.

Two of Notre Dame's top grapplers are senior Tim Steed, the Section 4 Class C champion at 91 pounds two years ago; and junior Chris Kamas,

who won the sectional Class D crown at 112 last season (ND dropped one sectional classification in 1991). Steed will compete at 112 pounds when he resumes action next month after recovering from a broken leg, and Kamas is at 126.

Other Crusaders are as follows: 91 pounds, eighth-grader Pat Owen; 98, seventh-grader Brett Owen; 105, sophomore Alex Jordan; 112, freshman Pete Fusco; 119, senior Brad Seymour; 132, senior Andre Serafin; 138, freshman Kevin Wilson; 145, senior Rich Kunz; 155, senior Scott Ruhmel; 167, senior Mike Clune; 177, sophomore Dan Wilson; 215, junior Tim Wilsoncraft; and 250, senior Damian Saks.

In the City-Catholic League, McQUAID JESUIT, defending league champions, rallied back from two season-opening non-league losses by defeating league foe and host Marshall, 49-18, last Thursday, Dec. 12.

The margin of victory over the Jurists was much wider than McQuaid Coach Lou Teike had anticipated.

"I was figuring it would be within a five- or six-point spread, so the boys did real well," said Teike.

Big stars for the Knights include senior Mark Voci, the Section 5 Class A champ at 91 pounds two seasons ago; and junior John Pemaselli, who was runner-up in the 167-pound sectionals last season. Voci is currently at 119, and Pemaselli at 177.

Other Knights are: 91 pounds, freshman Justin Regan; 98, freshman John Morris; 105, sophomore John Zicari; 112, freshman Pat Holden; 126, senior Colin Cress; 132, sophomore Eric Giunta; 138, junior Matt Temple; 145, junior Chris Giunta; 155, freshman Adam Lehmann; 167, senior Matt Bazar; 215, junior Todd Hinz; and 250, sophomore Pat Conroy.

BISHOP KEARNEY boasts several

strong wrestlers, but that won't show up in team scoring because the Kings (0-3) lack manpower this season and are forfeiting about half their weight classes.

Senior Gracen Porreca, a 112-pounder who finished second in the Section 5 Class B competition at 98 pounds in 1990, is one of BK's leading performers and could be headed to New York University next year on a wrestling scholarship.

Other Kearney standouts are senior Rick Spaker at 126 and junior Sam Lopez at 132.

The trio's combined record was 9-0 through the Kings' first three meets.

"We call them The Three Amigos," said Coach Vince Asito, whose team finished 10-5 last year.

Remaining BK wrestlers are: 98 pounds, sophomore Matt Kasten; 138, junior Tony Finocchio; 145, sophomore Fred Perez; and 215, senior Eric Scheid.

## McQuaid gains 300th win on ice with victory over BK

The McQuaid Jesuit hockey team celebrated the program's 300th win in a big way, rolling to a 14-3 triumph over Bishop Kearney last Tuesday, Dec. 10, at Lakeshore Rinks.

McQuaid (2-2), which has more victories than any other hockey program in Monroe County League history, received three-goal performances from Marty Reasoner, Eben Carroll and Larry Pierce.

Kearney (2-2) bounced back from that loss to notch a 9-8 win over Penfield on Saturday, Dec. 14, at Thomas Creek Ice Arena. BK's Marcus Pace had a huge game, totaling five goals and one assist.

Also on Saturday, Aquinas Institute won 4-1 over McQuaid at Genesee Valley as Brook Lefler finished with two goals and one assist. Earlier in the week, the Little Irish (4-1) beat Hilton, 11-4, on Dec. 11 before suffering their first defeat of the year, 5-4 to Irondequoit, the following evening (both games were played at Lakeshore).

IN BOYS' BASKETBALL highlights, McQuaid (3-2) survived a slow-down attempt by Kearney (0-5) to earn a 32-21 home win on Dec. 10. McQuaid's Jay Wandtke scored 12 points to gain high-scoring honors for the game, which saw the Knights lead

only 16-11 after three quarters.

The Geneva DeSales boys (4-1) won 53-46 at home over Gananda last Friday after enduring their first loss, 64-61, at South Seneca on Dec. 11. Mark Higgins was the Saints' top scorer against Gananda with 19 points.

IN GIRLS' BASKETBALL, three diocesan teams remained unbeaten: Kearney (3-0) won two home games, 42-33 over Webster on Dec. 10 and 35-23 over Wilson on Dec. 13; Nazareth (2-0) was a 32-21 winner over visiting Northstar Christian Academy on Dec. 11; and Aquinas (3-0) rolled to a 66-35 home victory over East on Dec. 9.

The Elmira Notre Dame girls (4-1) recorded a 34-28 victory at Groton on Dec. 11.

IN BOYS' SWIMMING, McQuaid won its season-opening meet by defeating a combined team from Edison Tech, Marshall and Franklin on Dec. 12 at Edison. The Knights' Doug Kazley, Mike Byerts and John Halligan keyed the 54-25 win by capturing two events each.

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### Doyle named third-team high school All-American

Sheila Doyle, a star soccer player from Our Lady of Mercy High School, has become the first All-American athlete in the school's 63-year history.

Doyle was recently named third-team All-American by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America. She was also chosen to the All-State first team earlier this fall.

A senior forward with exceptional speed, she scored 103 goals in her illustrious career at Mercy. Doyle led the Monarchs to the Section 5 Class A championship in 1991.

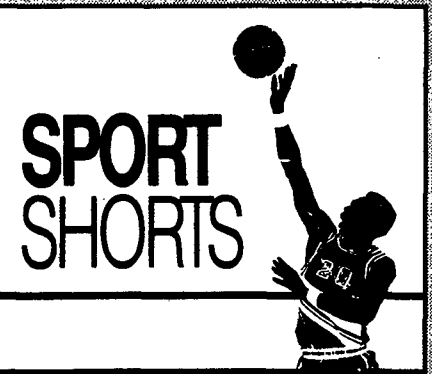
In addition to her soccer supremacy, she is also a standout in basketball. Doyle, who plays guard, will begin this season with 811 career points.

### DeSales places four on all-league squad

The Geneva DeSales football team has placed four of its members on the 1991 Finger Lakes West All-Star list.

Leading the way was senior Bill Pinkerton, who made the all-league second team on both offense and defense. Pinkerton, an offensive guard and defensive end, was also named all-league on special teams.

Joining Pinkerton as offensive and defensive second-teamers were seniors Matt Hezel and Chris Lamson. Hezel was a two-way tackle, and Lamson was a receiver and linebacker.



### Aquinas schedules hockey tournament for December 27-28

ROCHESTER — Aquinas Institute's second annual Christmas hockey tournament is set for Dec. 27-28 at Lakeshore Hockey Arena, 123 Ling Road.

The Little Irish will take on Potsdam at 2 p.m. in an opening-round game on Dec. 27. That game will be preceded by a noon contest between Albany Academy and Buffalo Bishop Timon.

The consolation game is set for noon Dec. 28, with finals scheduled for 2 p.m.

In addition, an Aquinas alumni game is scheduled for 3 p.m. on Dec. 28.

Weekend passes are available for \$3. Tickets will also be sold at the door for \$2 per game.

To order passes or for information, call 716/647-2990.