



Below: Freshman Steve Mueller gets ready to take down his opponent in the first moments of his match against Mayo.

## Wrestling

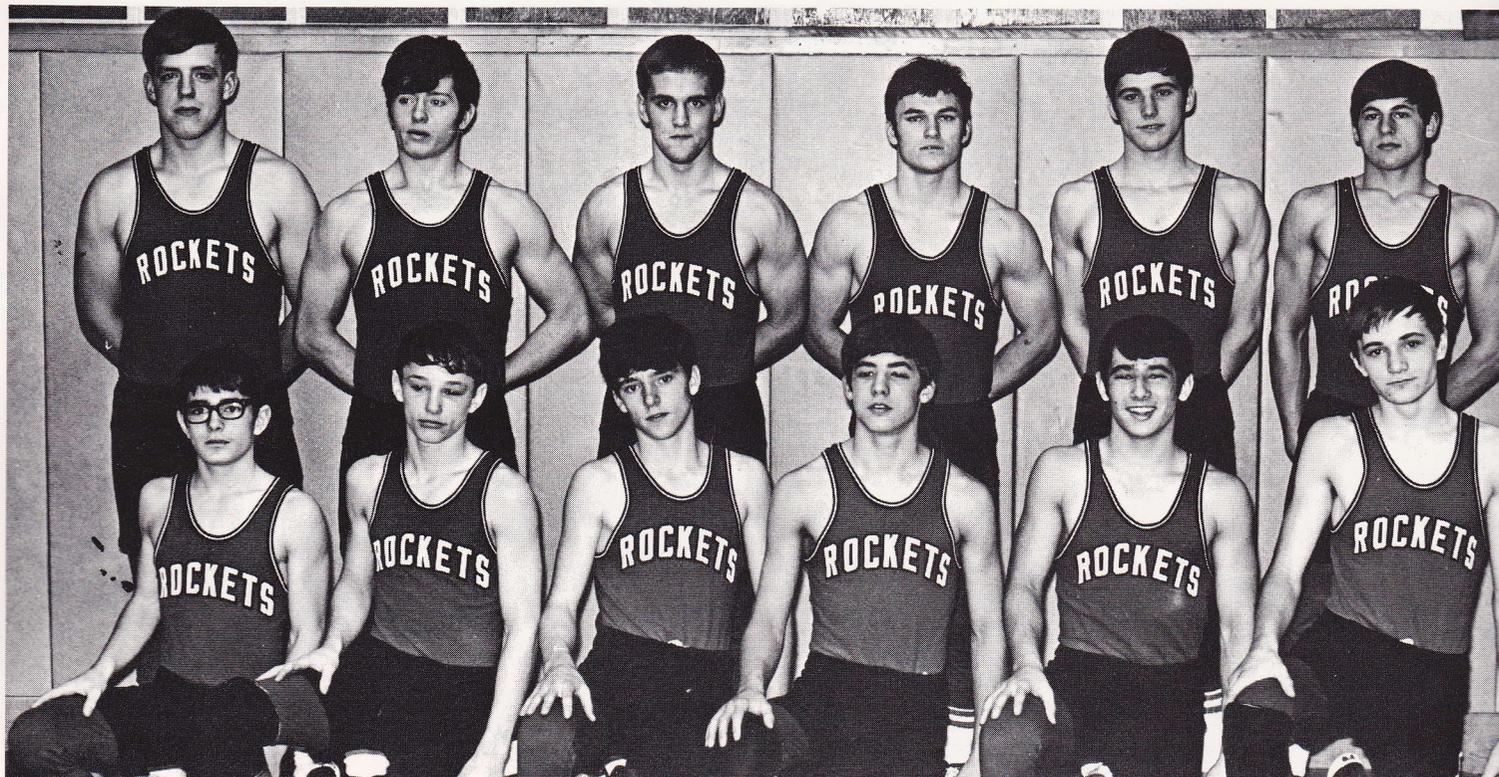
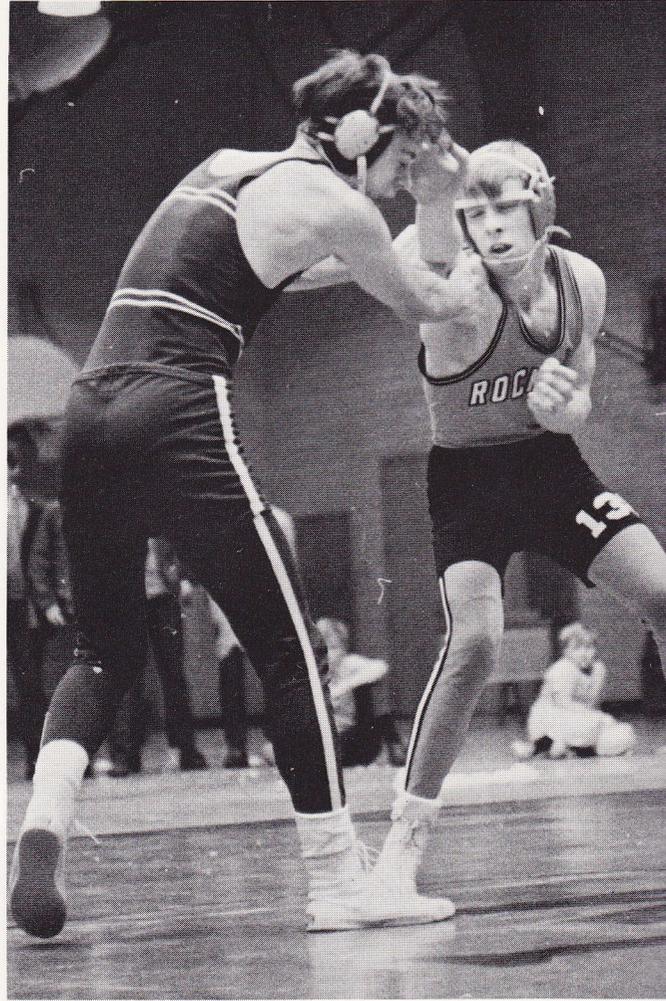
# Rocket grapplers lack experience but retain fighting

spirit. At the beginning of the season Coach Ron White felt that if his younger boys could come through the team could consider themselves "respectable." But things didn't work out the way they had hoped and the season ended with a 2-8 record for dual meets.

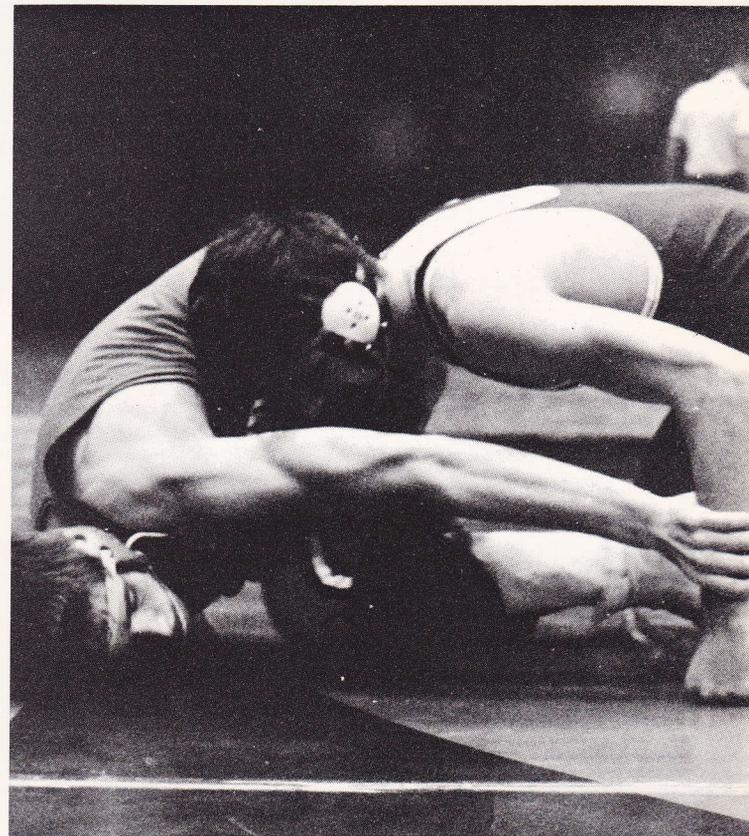
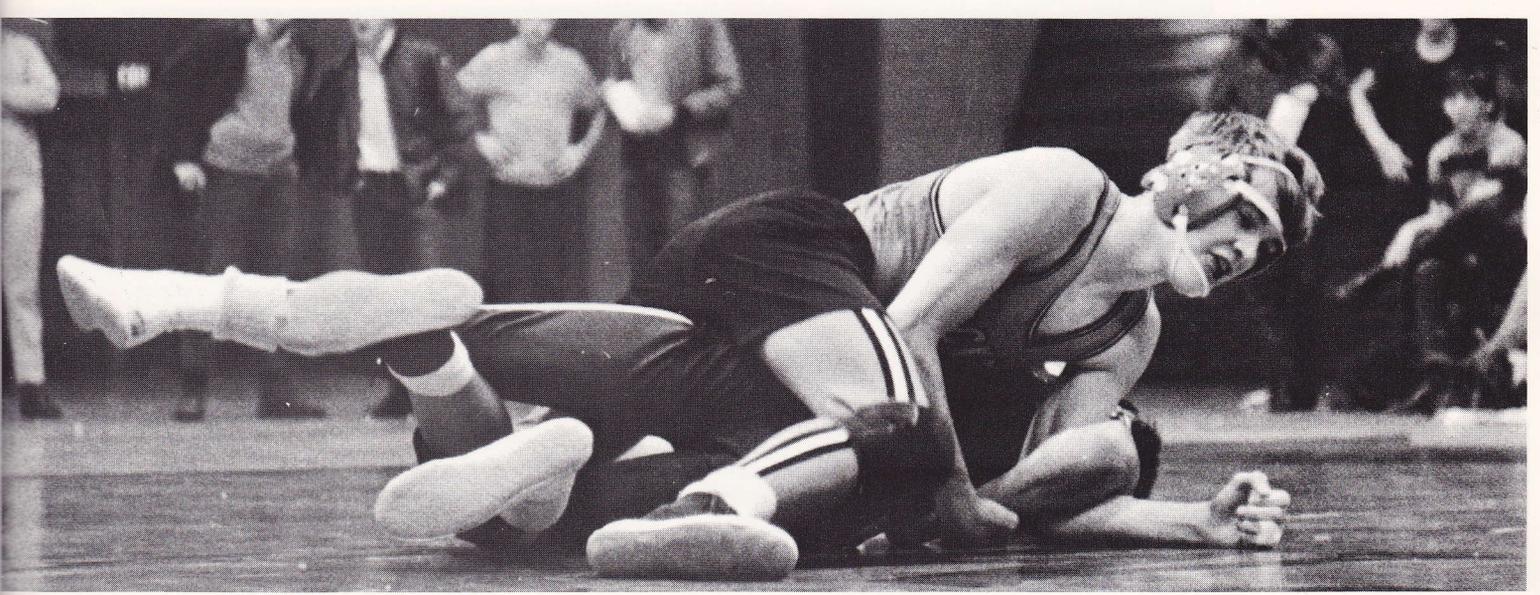
Though the dual meet record was disappointing, the invitational and tournament records showed a stronger team. In the Carlton Invitational they placed fifth and in a similar meet at River Falls they placed fourth. Placing third in the District 111 meet, the Rockets sent John Riese, Greg Koelsch, and Wally Pike, juniors, to the regional meet, where they placed fifth.

Greg Koelsch and Chris Stapleton, senior co-captains, finished the season with one loss each in conference dual competition. Both Chris and Greg were named to the first Big Nine All-Conference Team in their respective weights. Greg was named most valuable wrestler at the annual wrestling banquet in April. Chris Johnson, new to JM this year, was the only Rocket wrestler to advance to state, where he placed fifth in his weight class.

The b-squad wrestlers compiled a 3-7 record for the season. Steve Mueller and Dan Moeller showed skill in their weight divisions and were expected to help next year. With...



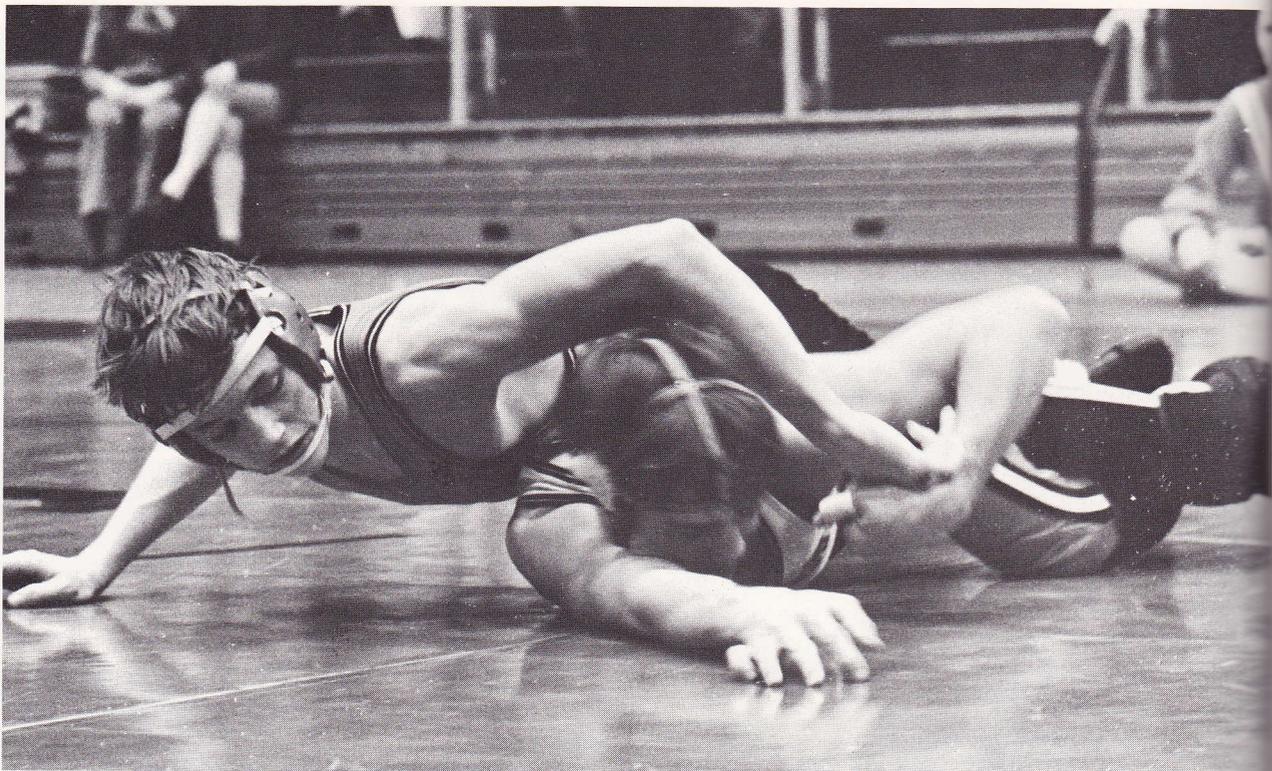
Front row: A. Atherton, J. Wellner, J. Robertson, B. Ehrick, C. Padilla, J. R. Stevenson  
Back row: W. Pike, C. Stapleton, C. Johnson, G. Koelsch, S. Stevenson, K. Johnson



**Top:** Senior John Riese holds down a Mayo player but it was in vain because he was defeated by a small margin.

**Above right:** Junior Jim Wellner anxiously watches Chris Johnson defeat his opponent.

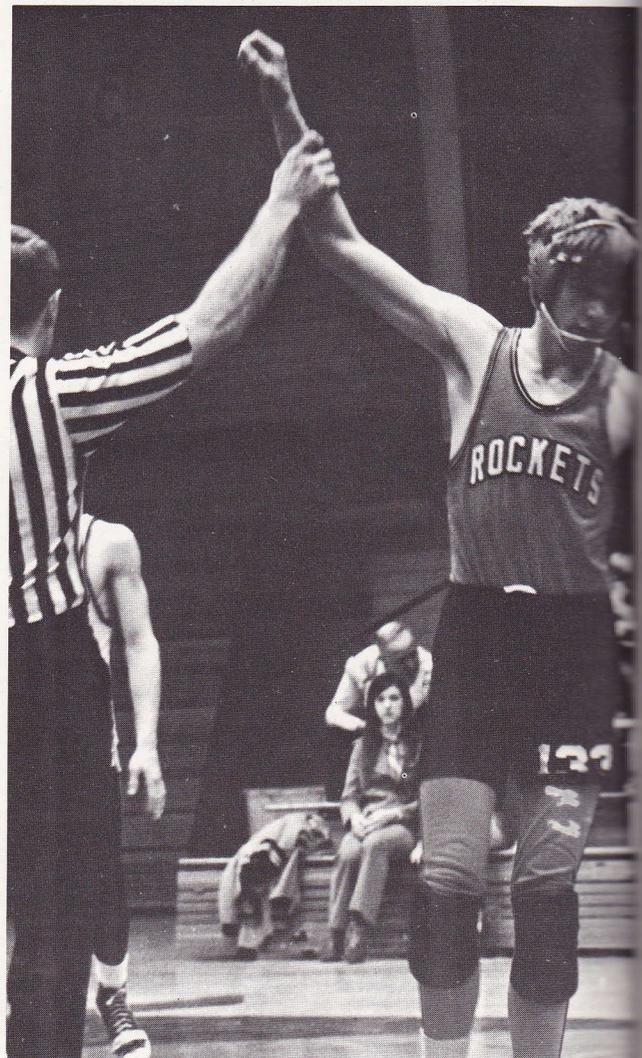
**Above left:** Steve Stevenson, junior, struggles to keep on top but falls in the end in a close decision.



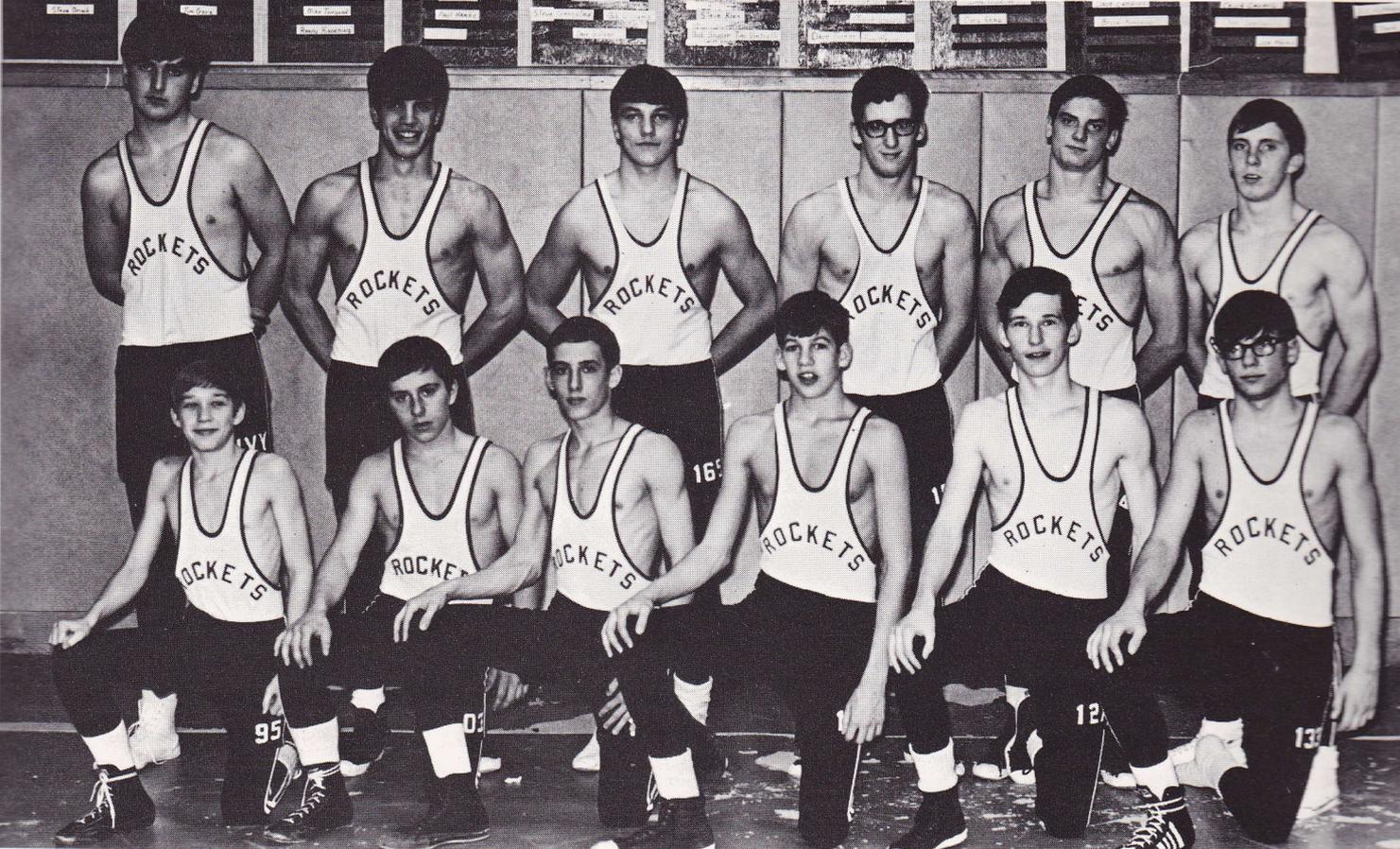
...a returning squad of 48 there are high hopes for next season.

**Top:** Junior Jim Wellner struggles to keep his opponent down after a well-fought match.

**Right:** Senior John Riese wallows in victory after pinning his opponent.



Below: Sophomore b-squader Dan Moeller struggles in a close decision with an opponent.



Front row: J. King, T. Moeller, M. Toogood, J. Hugus, K. Sheehan, J. Olsen.  
Back row: D. Kinsley, B. Hoffman, C. Caverly, D. Campion, D. Moeller, D. Mueller.