

36th Annual Dapper Dan Wrestling Classic

Local wrestling stars have been selected to represent the 13 weight classes for Team New York on Saturday March 20th at Fitzgerald Field House on the campus of the University of Pittsburgh. Team New York will wrestle the W.P.I.A.L. (Western Pennsylvania Interscholastic League) All Stars (6pm) in a dual meet prior to the to the USA vs Pennsylvania All Stars (8pm). The Dapper Dan “**The Rose Bowl Of High School Wrestling**” is a prestigious event in its 36th year. It was founded in 1936 by the Pittsburgh Gazette to raise monies for local charities. Dapper Dan brings in the best senior wrestlers every year to face off prior to their collegiate careers. Every year the W.P.I.A.L. takes on an invited state team from the United States and Pennsylvania’s best wrestlers take the best wrestlers the US has to offer. This is only the third time that a NYS Team has been invited to this event, 1980 and 2005. Cael Sanderson, current Penn. State Head Coach, 4x NCAA Champion (undefeated 159-0) and Olympic Gold Medalist is a former Dapper Dan participant. The team will be led by coaches Rich Romeo (Penfield HS), John Leone (Penfield HS) and Vougar Oroudjov Nassau Community College (former Olympic and World Team Member of the USSR). The New York Team has a combined 10 individual state championships between them while the USA team has 23 state titles between them. Many of these wrestlers are moving on to Division 1 Colleges.

More information can be found at the Dapper Dan web site. www.wrestlingclassic.com

New York Team

112	Brandon Ling (Penfield)	vs
119	Damon McQueen (Huntington)	vs
125	Nick Arujau (Syosset HS)	vs
130	Taylor Laraia (Newburg HS)	vs
135	Cody Ruggirello (Valley Central HS)	vs
140	CJ Howard (Pittsford HS)	vs
145	Andy Rodriguez (Central Islip HS)	vs
152	Giuseppi Lanzi (Amsterdam HS)	vs
160	Ryan Fox (Huntington HS)	vs
171	Jon Glennon (Lansing HS)	vs
189	Brandon Contreras (Penfield HS)	vs
215	Kyle Colling (Pioneer HS)	vs
285	Lance Moore (Johnson City HS)	vs

WPIAL Team

Ryan Bohince (Penn Trafford HS)
Alex Dunaway (McGuffey HS)
Carson Brooks (Fox Chapel Fox HS)
Frank Martellotti (Shady Side)
Colton Blumer (West Greene HS)
Sam Lombardo (Canon McMillan)
Andy Candiello (North Allegheny)
Zack Shannon (Kiski Area)
Troy Reaghard (West Allegheny)
Tyler Wilps (Chartiers Valley)
Eric Shaffer (Greater Latrobe)
Brandon Fedorka (Hopewell)
Adam Lazenga (Bethel Park)

USA Team

112	Ryan Finch (Arizona, Safford HS)	vs
119	BJ Suitor (Mich., Swan Vall. HS)	vs
125	Logan Stieber (Ohio, Monroeville HS)	vs
130	Jamie Clark (Ohio, St. Edwards HS)	vs
135	Ryan Nieman (Mich., Bullock Creek)	vs
140	Chris Villalonga (NJ, Blair Academy)	vs
145	Joe Cozart (Florida, Brandon HS)	vs
152	Jackson Morse (Mich., Lowell HS)	vs
160	Nick Sulzer (Ohio, St Edwards HS)	vs
171	Nick Viscaro (NJ, Long Branch HS)	vs
189	Mike Evans (NJ, Blair Academy)	vs
215	Trevor Rupp (Idaho, Pocatello HS)	vs
285	Bobby Telford (Delaware, St Marks)	vs

Pennsylvania Team

Michael Rhone (Benton HS)
Anthony Marino (Bethlehem Liberty)
Mitchell Port (Bellefonte HS)
Joe Spisak (Boiling Springs HS)
Joshua Dziewa (Council Rock HS)
Josh Kindig (Blue Mountain HS)
Andrew Alton (Central Mountain HS)
Dylan Alton (Central Mountain HS)
Marshall Peppelman (Central Dauphin)
Matthew Cunningham (Shady Side)
Jamie Callender (Council Rock HS)
Spencer Myers (Selinsgrove HS)
Evan Craig (Abington Heights HS)