

Sports Connection

Beatty Brings Home the Bronze Medal



An incredible season comes to a deserving end as Mark Beatty finished third at the state wrestling tournament last weekend. This junior wrestler has qualified for state for the past three years, and this year won four of his five matches at Vets. He shut out his first two matches, 4-0 and 7-0, respectively. In Friday's semifinals, Beatty lost in overtime 8-10. Beatty has his 100th win in his next match where he won 3-0. In his final match, Beatty won 4-2. His season record is 43-2. Left, Beatty stands on the winners stand. (photo courtesy of Mark Spensley)

Amazing Season for Cats, 23-1

by Miranda Knake

March 1st the Wildcats took on Clayton Ridge at Oelwein. At this District Final game it was very close, and wound up being a heart-breaker for the Cats and crowd. The final score: 51-48, Clayton Ridge.

"We just didn't play well enough to win our last game," remarked Coach Rundquist.

Thomas led the Cats with a total of 15 points. Nordmann made six shots, including one three point shot for 13 points. Mohr added nine points to the board and Humpal added seven. Huber and Norlin both earned two points for the Cats.

"Compliments to our senior players on an outstanding season," stated Coach Rundquist.

Congratulations on a great season! Overall record for the boys is 23-1 and they also have a Conference record of 16-0.

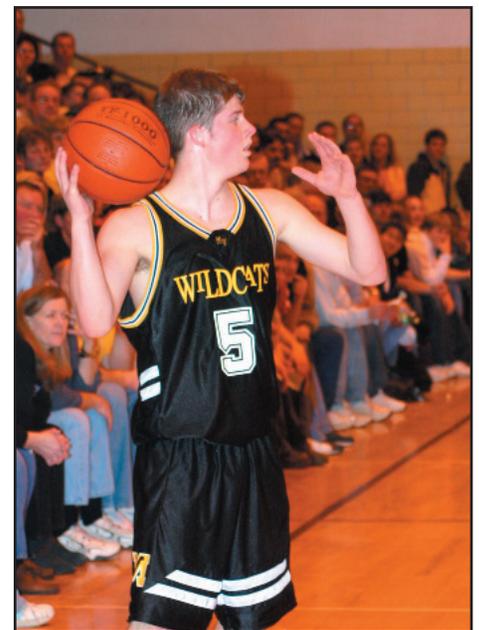
The Wildcats took on Starmont February 23rd at home. The Cats dominated, winning 66-46. The Wildcats had a free throw percentage of 65.2. They had a total of 13 turnovers and 37 rebounds.

"We had a slow start offensively," stated Coach Rundquist, "but we had a tremen-



dous defensive effort for a second round district win."

Jonny Thomas led the team with a total of 29 points from ten shots and nine free throws. Donny Nordmann added 13 points



and Robbie Mohr added 12 points. Blake Humpal achieved eight points from two shots and three free throws. Chris Klaren and Jake Norling each put two points up on the board.