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Tourney Honors
In Auburn Meet

AUBURN — East Rochester High captured the annual Auburn Community College wrestling tournament, scoring 88 points to edge Rome Free Academy with 77 points.

Two East Rochester grapplers won titles. Frank Megiale took the 120-pound crown by decisioning Paul Rose of Baldwinsville, 9-3, while Tom Vergo pinned Bob Carris of Auburn in the heavyweight division.

The upset of the tourney, which opened at 9 a.m. and ended near midnight Friday, was staged when Waterloo's Joe Capone decisioned Joe Sirano of East Rochester, 5-0. Sirano is Section 5 champion in the 103-pound class.

Final round summaries:

95-pound class — Don Plunkett (Rome) dec. Dick De Bernardis (ER), 9-2. 101—Capone (Water) dec. Joe Sirano (ER), 5-0. 112—Terry Litterbrant (Bald) dec. Tom Durkin (Waterloo), 4-3.

120—Frank Megiale (ER) dec. Paul Rose (Bald), 9-3. 127—John Bower (WG) dec. Jim Consaul (ER), 5-0. 133—Bill Bower (WG) dec. Steve Sawyer (Auburn) 8-0.

138—Fred Wampler (Rome) pinned Bille Cole (WG). Time, 5:47. 145—Kurt Kuppinger (Auburn) dec. Jim Ransco (ER), 6-0. 154—Frank Perano (Rome) dec. John Ventura (ER), 7-0.

165—Al Pratt (Rome) pinned Dennis Gurecki (ER), time, 4:32. 180—Dick Post (Geneva) pinned Jim Simile (Rome), time, 5:37. Unlimited—Tom Vergo (ER) pinned Bob Carris (Auburn), time, 5:14.