

# Banquet honors Indian grapplers



Coach Funk addressing the banquet

250 people attended the Donegal Wrestling Banquet last Thursday, held to honor the team, who were Section II Champs this year. Master of ceremonies was Coach Gene Funk.

Following a dinner of baked ham and potatoes, Coach Funk spoke briefly about and introduced each member of the wrestling team.

The Indianettes and the cheerleaders were introduced, and also the Junior High team.

Senior team members each spoke to the guests. Three of them read poems they had composed for the occasion.

Jerry Ruhl, a team captain, received the Outstanding Senior trophy. Jerry Garner, another captain, won a trophy for Most Pins and also the Dean Chapin Memorial Award. The Most Improvement trophy went to senior Mark Adams.

The Outstanding Junior High Wrestler trophy went

to Ken White. Ken, who moved to Salt Lake City the morning after the banquet, said an emotional goodbye to his coach and teammates. It is unfortunate that Donegal has lost this promising wrestler.

Ken's award was presented by Coach Charles Leader.

Mr. Donald Drenner, Principal of DHS, received a trophy representing the entire team.

After remarks by Mrs. Jack Garner, Coach Funk was given a pair of new jogging shoes by the team. The team also gave Assistant Coach Konas a poster of Farrah Fawcett. A card of thanks for Sunday afternoon practices was given Coach Funk by Steve Ney.

The following poem was composed by Mark Adams for the occasion of the Donegal Wrestling Banquet.

This is a poem, about the great coach Funk,  
He's one of the best, and that ain't no bunk.  
I'll always remember, at the beginning of the season,  
He yelled and yelled no logical reason.

It started in the locker room, when when we weighed in,  
we were so overweight, it was like committing a sin.  
When we were ready for practice, we ran over to DIG,  
Waiting to get bawled out, for eating like a pig.

After our practice, we were practically dead,  
We went straight home and directly to bed.  
Then one day, his face full of gleam,  
He turned to us and said, "We've got a championship team."

So we tried all the harder to get in good shape,  
Because we wanted to look good on the video-tape.  
But the work paid off, as you can plainly see-  
We went undefeated and took the Sectional Trophy.

This poem could go on, there's a lot more to say,  
He made us work hard, but we like him anyway.



Shown with their trophies are, left to right, Jerry Ruhl, Jerry Garner, and Mark Adams. Not shown is Ken White, who moved to Salt Lake City on Friday morning.

## Kelly Hoover wins spelling bee

There was a spelling bee at Beahm Jr. High last Thursday. The entire faculty and student body gathered for the event.

Sarting with 26 top spellers from Beahm and the Donegal Elementary

schools, the bee went through eight rounds and ran over one period.

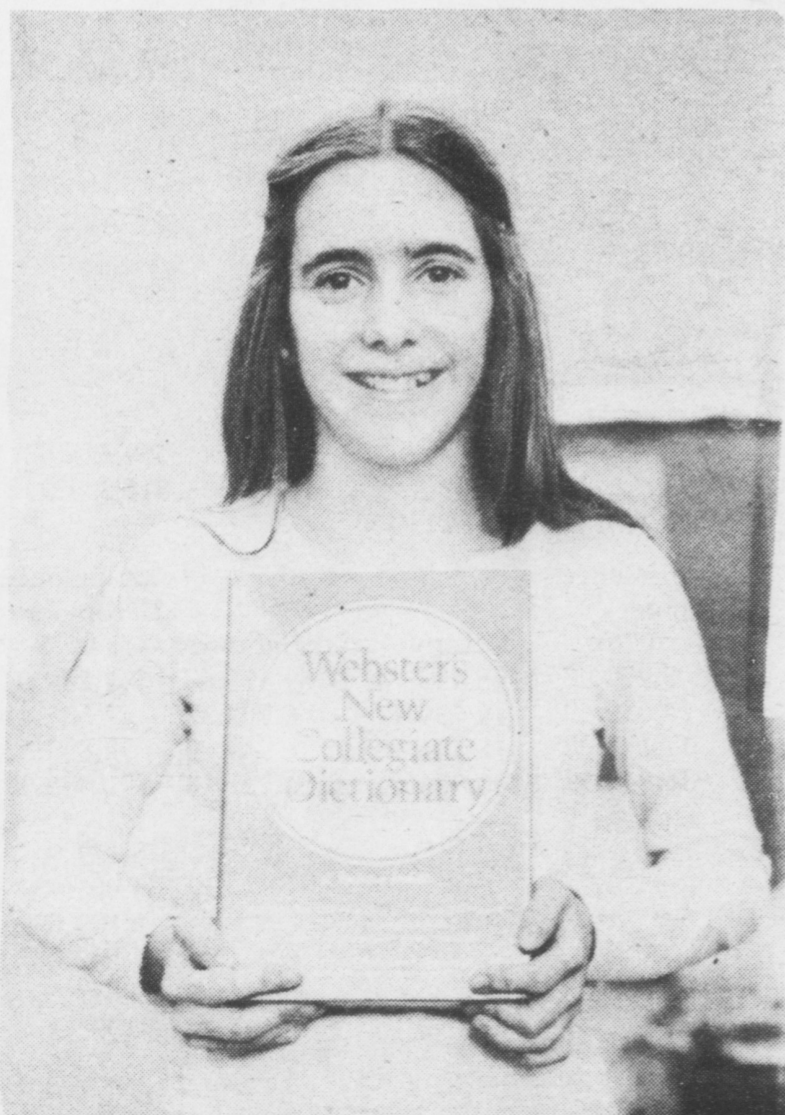
Miss Kate Zeller of the DHS English Department pronounced the words to be spelled, while Beahm teachers Jean Phiel, Tony Ritrovato, and Connie Ligenza judged.

Finally, there were only two contestants left. The tension was mounting as Jessica Eidemiller and her opponent, Kelly Hoover, battled orthographically.

Jessica missed "ferocious" and, by the rules of the National Spelling Bee Society, Kelly had a chance at the same word, which she spelled correctly. Kelly then got, immediately, the next word, "flimsiness." If she could spell it, she had the title.

You could have heard a silent E as Kelly went through the letters. She did it.

Both girls received a copy of Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary. The losers each got a pen. Everyone else received a good time.



Jessica Eidemiller misspelled "ferocious" and lost the title, but she did get the dictionary she is posing with.



Photo shows Katherine Zeller of the DHS English Dept. congratulating Kelly Hoover after Kelly won the Beahm spelling bee.