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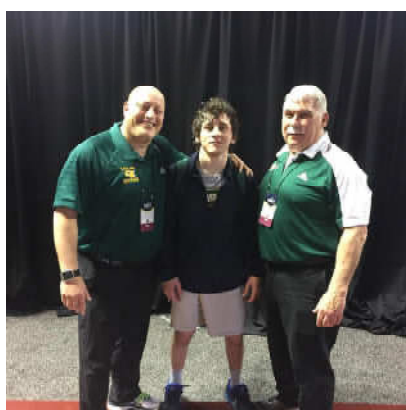
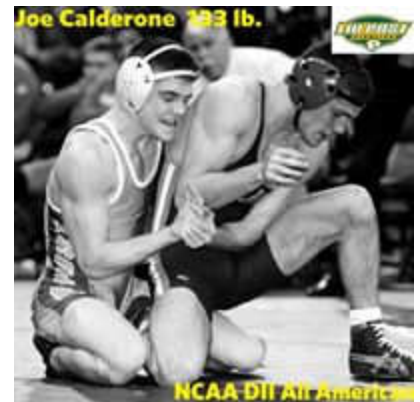


Brookville, N.Y. – he LIU Post wrestling team begins its 2017-18 season in a little over two weeks, with its first match scheduled for Sunday, November 5 at the Drexel Duals in Philadelphia, Pa.

LIU Post head coach Joe Patrovich starts his fourth season in charge of the Pioneers' fortunes and has a full line-up of 15 returnees, all who started a season ago.

The Pioneers also return All-America NCAA National Qualifier Joe Calderone. Calderone posted a team-

leading 32-11 record at 133 lbs back in 2015-16 season. The Huntington Station, N.Y. native rattled off a 16-match winning streak and was ranked as high as No. 2 nationally in the InterMat Division II 133-lb. ledger.



Anthony Sparacio, who impresses during his rookie campaign, returns to the team after being named NCAA All-American at 133 lbs. The NCAA Qualifier posted a 23-10 record at 133 lbs. last season, and finished fourth at the NCAA Super Region I Championships.

Patrovich adds a bevy newcomers including junior transfer adds East Moriches, N.Y. native Peter DeTore to his squad. DeTore, a transfer from Hofstra University, looks to compete in the 141 lbs. weight class this season.

Freshmen Damien Caffrey (heavyweight), Greg Hodulik(197 lbs.), Hunter Scutellaro (125 lbs.), and Bryan Romero (125 lbs.).

Caffrey, the 2017 Eastern States and League VI Champion, compiled a career record of 106-20 at Elwood-John Glenn and placed fourth at the 2017 New York State Championships.

Hodulik, a two-time League VI Champion, finished out his senior year with a 44-6 record and was the 2017 Suffolk County Section XI Runner-Up.

The 2017-18 season will feature four Division I matchup which includes Drexel, Clarion, Purdue, and Air Force.

LIU Post will conduct its annual Wrestle-Offs on Thursday, October 26 at the Pratt Recreation Center.

The Pioneers open the season on Sunday, November 5 at the Drexel Duals before traveling to the Roger Williams Invitational in Bristol R.I. at 10 a.m.