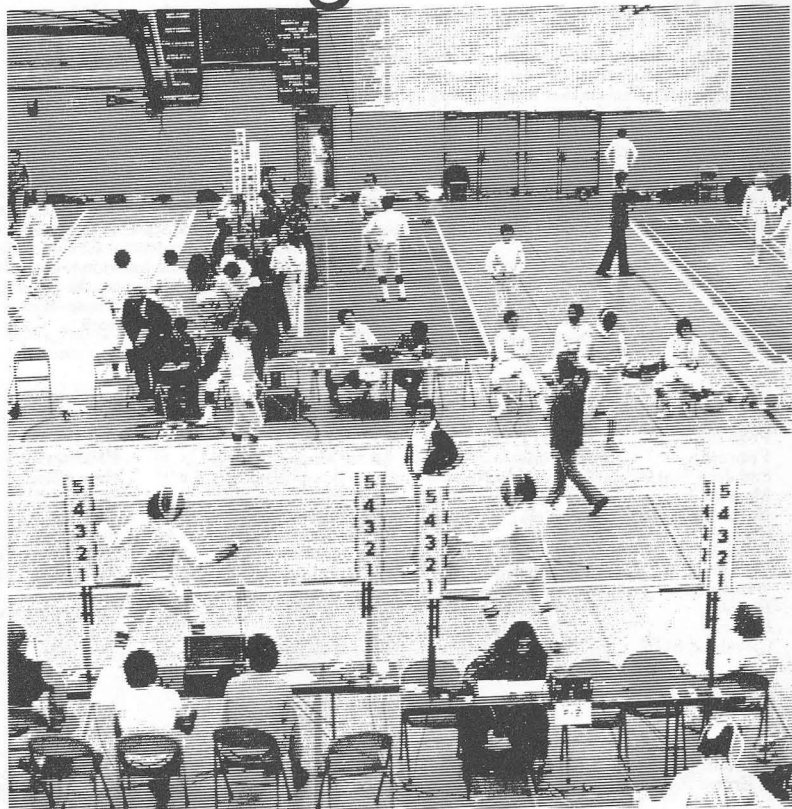


# Fencing



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## Rabinovich tops Sullivan; Wayne wins title

Wayne State's Yuri Rabinovich bested two-time sabre champ Mike Sullivan of Notre Dame, and the Tartars took away Notre Dame's team title in the 1979 National Collegiate Fencing Championships, March 22-24.

Rabinovich regained the crown he had last won in 1976 as one of three Wayne State fencers to place in the competition.

Gil Pezza finished second in epee for Wayne State, and Ernest Simon took third-place honors in foil.

Simon was dethroned as foil champ by Notre Dame's Andrew Bonk.

In all, the Tartars totaled 119 points to Notre Dame's 108. The Irish did manage to hold off Penn State (107) and Princeton (104) for second

place, though.

Bonk and Sullivan were the only Irish fencers to finish in the top six.

In addition to the individual title won by Bonk, he captured the Illinois Memorial Trophy, awarded to the foil participant with top all-around excellence.

Other trophy winners were sabre competitor Robert Reed of Army (Michigan State Memorial) and Cleveland State's Carlo Songini, who took home the Princeton-Cornell Memorial Trophy as well as the individual epee title.

Wayne State last had won the fencing championship in 1975. Notre Dame had won the competition the last two years.

### TEAM STANDINGS

|                 |     |                |    |                  |    |                 |    |
|-----------------|-----|----------------|----|------------------|----|-----------------|----|
| Wayne State     | 119 | Penn           | 80 | Johns Hopkins    | 47 | Pratt           | 27 |
| Notre Dame      | 108 | Detroit        | 73 | N. Carolina St.  | 47 | Chicago         | 25 |
| Penn State      | 107 | MIT            | 77 | Temple           | 45 | Duke            | 15 |
| Princeton       | 104 | Navy           | 74 | Michigan State   | 38 | Fullerton State | 14 |
| San Jose State  | 104 | Ohio State     | 73 | Case West. Res.  | 37 | Haverford       | 14 |
| Maryland        | 99  | St. John's     | 68 | Stevens Tech     | 31 | Seton Hall      | 14 |
| North Carolina  | 96  | Yale           | 67 | Long Beach State | 30 | Wis.-Parkside   | 14 |
| Cornell         | 93  | Army           | 62 | Pace             | 28 | Baruch          | 13 |
| Clemson         | 90  | Illinois       | 56 | Stanford         | 28 | New Jersey Tech | 13 |
| New York U.     | 88  | Northridge St. | 55 | Brooklyn         | 28 | New York Tech   | 13 |
| Wisconsin       | 88  | Wm. Paterson   | 55 | Air Force        | 27 | Queens          | 13 |
| Rutgers         | 84  | Columbia       | 54 | CCNY             | 27 | Rutgers-Newark  | 13 |
| Harvard         | 81  | Northwestern   | 53 | Drew             | 27 | Hunter          | 12 |
| Cleveland State | 80  | Dartmouth      | 47 | Los Angeles St.  | 27 | Lafayette       | 12 |

### INDIVIDUAL STANDINGS

#### Foil

1. Andrew Bonk, Notre Dame
2. Bradley Thomas, Maryland
3. Ernest Simon, Wayne State
4. Richard Pantel, Princeton
5. Matthew Harris, Penn State
6. Edmond McNamara, New York University

#### Sabre

1. Yuri Rabinovich, Wayne State
2. Michael Sullivan, Notre Dame
3. Paul Friedberg, Pennsylvania
4. Steven Renshaw, Clemson
5. Donald Lear, Penn State
6. Paul Cordts, Johns Hopkins

#### Epee

1. Carlo Songini, Cleveland State
2. Gil Pezza, Wayne State
3. Peter Schifrin, San Jose State
4. Leonid Dervbinsky, New York University
5. Jay Thomas, Clemson
6. Charles Helms, Princeton

### Team Championship Results

| Year | Host Institution | Champion       | Coach             | Points | Runner-Up  | Points |
|------|------------------|----------------|-------------------|--------|------------|--------|
| 1941 | Ohio State       | Northwestern   | Henry Zettleman   | 28½    | Illinois   | 27     |
| 1942 | Washington (Mo.) | Ohio State     | Frank Riebel      | 34     | St. John's | 33½    |
| 1947 | Chicago          | New York Univ. | Martinez Castello | 72     | Chicago    | 50½    |
| 1948 | Naval Academy    | CCNY           | James Montague    | 30     | Navy       | 28     |
| 1949 | Military Academy | Army           | Servando Velarde  | 63     |            |        |
|      |                  | Rutgers        | Donald Cetrulo    | 63     |            |        |

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|      |                    |                |                  |      |                |     |
|------|--------------------|----------------|------------------|------|----------------|-----|
| 1950 | Wayne State        | Navy           | Joseph Fiems     | 67½  | New York Univ. | 66½ |
| 1951 | Illinois           | Columbia       | Servando Velarde | 69   | Rutgers        | 66½ |
| 1952 | Yale               | Columbia       | Servando Velarde | 71   | Pennsylvania   | 64  |
| 1953 | Pennsylvania       | Pennsylvania   | Lajos Csiszar    | 94   | New York Univ. | 69  |
| 1954 | Chicago            | Columbia       | Irving DeKoff    | 61   | Navy           | 86  |
|      |                    | New York Univ. | Hugo Castello    | 61   |                |     |
| 1955 | Michigan State     | Columbia       | Irving DeKoff    | 62   | Cornell        | 57  |
| 1956 | Naval Academy      | Illinois       | Maxwell Garret   | 90   | Columbia       | 88  |
| 1957 | Detroit            | New York Univ. | Hugo Castello    | 65   | Columbia       | 64  |
| 1958 | Texas Tech         | Illinois       | Maxwell Garret   | 47   | Columbia       | 43  |
| 1959 | Naval Academy      | Navy           | Andre Deladrier  | 72   | New York Univ. | 65  |
| 1960 | Illinois           | New York Univ. | Hugo Castello    | 65   | Navy           | 57  |
| 1961 | Princeton          | New York Univ. | Hugo Castello    | 79   | Princeton      | 68  |
| 1962 | Ohio State         | Navy           | Andre Deladrier  | 76   | New York Univ. | 74  |
| 1963 | Air Force Acad.    | Columbia       | Irving DeKoff    | 55   | Navy           | 50  |
| 1964 | Harvard            | Princeton      | Stan Sieja       | 81   | New York Univ. | 79  |
| 1965 | Detroit            | Columbia       | Irving DeKoff    | 76   | New York Univ. | 74  |
| 1966 | Duke               | New York Univ. | Hugo Castello    | 5-0  | Army           | 5-2 |
| 1967 | Northridge State   | New York Univ. | Hugo Castello    | 72   | Pennsylvania   | 64  |
| 1968 | Wayne State        | Columbia       | Louis Bankuti    | 92   | New York Univ. | 87  |
| 1969 | N. Carolina St.    | Pennsylvania   | Lajos Csiszar    | 54   | Harvard        | 43  |
| 1970 | Notre Dame         | New York Univ. | Hugo Castello    | 71   | Columbia       | 63  |
| 1971 | Air Force          | New York Univ. | Hugo Castello    | 68   |                |     |
|      |                    | Columbia       | Louis Bankuti    | 68   |                |     |
| 1972 | Ill.-Chi. Circle   | Detroit        | Richard Perry    | 73   | New York Univ. | 70  |
| 1973 | Johns Hopkins      | New York Univ. | Hugo Castello    | 76   | Pennsylvania   | 71  |
| 1974 | Case West. Res.    | New York Univ. | Hugo Castello    | 92   | Wayne State    | 87  |
| 1975 | Fullerton State    | Wayne State    | Istvan Danosi    | 89   | Cornell        | 83  |
| 1976 | Pennsylvania       | New York Univ. | Herbert Cohen    | 79   | Wayne State    | 77  |
| 1977 | Notre Dame         | Notre Dame     | Michael DeCicco  | 114* | New York Univ. | 114 |
| 1978 | Wisconsin-Parkside | Notre Dame     | Michael DeCicco  | 121  | Pennsylvania   | 110 |
| 1979 | Princeton          | Wayne State    | Istvan Danosi    | 119  | Notre Dame     | 108 |

\*Tie was broken by a fence-off.

### Number of Team Championships, All-Time

|                |    |              |   |              |   |           |   |
|----------------|----|--------------|---|--------------|---|-----------|---|
| New York Univ. | 12 | Notre Dame   | 2 | CCNY         | 1 | Princeton | 1 |
| Columbia       | 8  | Pennsylvania | 2 | Detroit      | 1 | Rutgers   | 1 |
| Navy           | 3  | Wayne State  | 2 | Northwestern | 1 |           |   |
| Illinois       | 2  | Army         | 1 | Ohio State   | 1 |           |   |

### Number of Individual Championships, All-Time

|                |    |           |   |                 |   |               |   |
|----------------|----|-----------|---|-----------------|---|---------------|---|
| New York Univ. | 23 | Rutgers   | 5 | Brooklyn        | 1 | Northwestern  | 1 |
| Columbia       | 16 | Illinois  | 4 | Case West. Res. | 1 | Ohio State    | 1 |
| Wayne State    | 11 | Princeton | 4 | Cleveland State | 1 | St. John's    | 1 |
| Navy           | 10 | CCNY      | 2 | Cornell         | 1 | San Francisco | 1 |
| Pennsylvania   | 10 | Detroit   | 2 | Dartmouth       | 1 | Temple        | 1 |
| Notre Dame     | 6  | Army      | 1 | Iowa            | 1 |               |   |

### Number of Individual Championships by Institution, One Year

#### Three Titles

- Navy, 1959
- New York University, 1960-1961

### Most Individual Championships, One Year

#### Two Titles

- Abraham Balk, New York University, 1947 (Foil, Epee)

### Most Individual Championships, Career

#### Three Titles

- Greg Benko, Wayne State, Foil 1974-75-76
- Risto Hurme, New York University, Epee 1973-74-75
- Bruce Soriano, Columbia, Saber 1970-71-72

**Two Titles**

Abraham Balk, New York University, Foil 1947, Epee 1947  
 Herbert Cohen, New York University, Foil 1961-62  
 Bruce Davis, Wayne State, Foil 1957-58  
 Todd Makler, Pennsylvania, Saber 1967-68  
 Robert Nielsen, Columbia, Foil 1950-51  
 Paul Pesthy, Rutgers, Epee 1964-65  
 Tyrone Simmons, Detroit, Foil 1971-72  
 Alex Treves, Rutgers, Saber 1949-50  
 Roland Wommack, Navy, Epee 1958-59

**National Collegiate Fencing Awards**

From 1951 until 1967, the Illinois Memorial Trophy was presented annually to the "Fencer of the Year" selected from participants in the National Collegiate Championships. Since 1968, however, the Trophy has been presented to the top foil participant in the NCAA meet.

In 1968, the Michigan State Memorial Trophy was established for the top sabre performer, and the Princeton-Cornell Memorial Trophy was established for the top epee participant. The trophies are awarded on the basis of sportsmanship and conduct on the strip, attitude and dress, past performances in the championships and in overall intercollegiate competition. The three winners are selected by the student-athletes participating in the championships.

**ILLINOIS MEMORIAL TROPHY WINNERS**

- |      |                                    |      |                                    |
|------|------------------------------------|------|------------------------------------|
| 1951 | Chambless Johnston, Princeton      | 1966 | Dan Cantillon, Detroit             |
| 1952 | Richard Berry, Michigan State      | 1967 | Todd Makler, Pennsylvania          |
| 1953 | Frank Zimolzak, Navy               | 1968 | Jerry Espando, San Francisco State |
| 1954 | Philippe Moquard, Cornell          | 1969 | John Nonna, Princeton              |
| 1955 | John Gonzales, Navy                | 1970 | Bert Freeman, Navy                 |
| 1956 | Norfleet Johnston, Princeton       | 1971 | Tyrone Simmons, Detroit            |
| 1957 | Frank Tyrrell, Wisconsin           | 1972 | Tyrone Simmons, Detroit            |
| 1958 | John Norton, Yale                  | 1973 | Tyrone Simmons, Detroit            |
| 1959 | Roland Wommack, Navy               | 1974 | Jim Banacorda, New York University |
| 1960 | Raoul Sudre, Cornell               | 1975 | Greg Benko, Wayne State            |
| 1961 | Frank Anger, Princeton             | 1976 | Paul Martino, William Paterson     |
| 1962 | Herbert Cohen, New York University | 1977 | Mike Marx, Portland State          |
| 1963 | John Skoro, Air Force              | 1978 | Mark Smith, MIT                    |
| 1964 | Bill Hicks, Princeton              | 1979 | Andrew Bonk, Notre Dame            |
| 1965 | Craig Bell, Illinois               |      |                                    |

**MICHIGAN STATE MEMORIAL TROPHY**

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|------|--------------------------------------|------|--------------------------------------|
| 1968 | John Swanson, Air Force              | 1974 | Peter Westbrook, New York University |
| 1969 | Jim Carter, Princeton                | 1975 | Dave Uffelman, Princeton             |
| 1970 | Bruce Soriano, Columbia              | 1976 | Mike Sullivan, Notre Dame            |
| 1971 | Bruce Soriano, Columbia              | 1977 | Mike Sullivan, Notre Dame            |
| 1972 | Bruce Soriano, Columbia              | 1978 | Mike Sullivan, Notre Dame            |
| 1973 | Peter Westbrook, New York University | 1979 | Robert Reed, Army                    |

**PRINCETON-CORNELL MEMORIAL TROPHY**

- |      |                                      |      |                                  |
|------|--------------------------------------|------|----------------------------------|
| 1968 | Don Sieja, Cornell                   | 1974 | Risto Hurme, New York University |
| 1969 | James Davidson, Navy                 | 1975 | Ken Torino, Cornell              |
| 1970 | Guy Pommares, MIT                    | 1976 | Lee Shelley, Princeton           |
| 1971 | George Szunyogh, New York University | 1977 | Jim Neale, Princeton             |
| 1972 | Ernesto Fernandez, Pennsylvania      | 1978 | Chris Hanson, Pennsylvania       |
| 1973 | Risto Hurme, New York University     | 1979 | Carlo Songini, Cleveland State   |

**All-Time Individual Champions**

**FOIL**

- |      |                                   |      |                              |
|------|-----------------------------------|------|------------------------------|
| 1941 | Edward McNamara, Northwestern     | 1953 | Ed Nober, Brooklyn           |
| 1942 | Byron Kreiger, Wayne State        | 1954 | Robert Goldman, Pennsylvania |
| 1947 | Abraham Balk, New York University | 1955 | Herman Velasco, Illinois     |
| 1948 | Albert Axelrod, CCNY              | 1956 | Ralph DeMarco, Columbia      |
| 1949 | Ralph Tedeschi, Rutgers           | 1957 | Bruce Davis, Wayne State     |
| 1950 | Robert Nielsen, Columbia          | 1958 | Bruce Davis, Wayne State     |
| 1951 | Robert Nielsen, Columbia          | 1959 | Joe Paletta, Navy            |
| 1952 | Harold Goldsmith, CCNY            |      |                              |

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|------|------------------------------------|------|------------------------------------|
| 1960 | Gene Glazer, New York University   | 1970 | Walter Krause, New York University |
| 1961 | Herbert Cohen, New York University | 1971 | Tyrone Simmons, Detroit            |
| 1962 | Herbert Cohen, New York University | 1972 | Tyrone Simmons, Detroit            |
| 1963 | Jay Lustig, Columbia               | 1973 | Brooke Makler, Pennsylvania        |
| 1964 | Bill Hicks, Princeton              | 1974 | Greg Benko, Wayne State            |
| 1965 | Joe Nalven, Columbia               | 1975 | Greg Benko, Wayne State            |
| 1966 | Al Davis, New York University      | 1976 | Greg Benko, Wayne State            |
| 1967 | Mike Gaylor, New York University   | 1977 | Pat Gerard, Notre Dame             |
| 1968 | Gerard Esponda, San Francisco      | 1978 | Ernest Simon, Wayne State          |
| 1969 | Norman Braslow, Pennsylvania       | 1979 | Andrew Bonk, Notre Dame            |

**SABRE**

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|------|-------------------------------------|------|--------------------------------------|
| 1941 | William Meyer, Dartmouth            | 1963 | Bela Szentivanyi, Wayne State        |
| 1942 | Andre Deladrier, St. John's, N.Y.   | 1964 | Craig Bell, Illinois                 |
| 1947 | Oscar Parsons, Temple               | 1965 | Howard Goodman, New York University  |
| 1948 | James Day, Navy                     | 1966 | Paul Apostol, New York University    |
| 1949 | Alex Treves, Rutgers                | 1967 | Todd Makler, Pennsylvania            |
| 1950 | Alex Treves, Rutgers                | 1968 | Todd Makler, Pennsylvania            |
| 1951 | Chambless Johnston, Princeton       | 1969 | Antony Kestler, Columbia             |
| 1952 | Frank Zimolzak, Navy                | 1970 | Bruce Soriano, Columbia              |
| 1953 | Robert Parmacek, Pennsylvania       | 1971 | Bruce Soriano, Columbia              |
| 1954 | Steve Sobel, Columbia               | 1972 | Bruce Soriano, Columbia              |
| 1955 | Barry Pariser, Columbia             | 1973 | Peter Westbrook, New York University |
| 1956 | Gerald Kaufman, Columbia            | 1974 | Steve Danosi, Wayne State            |
| 1957 | Bernie Balaban, New York University | 1975 | Yuri Rabinovich, Wayne State         |
| 1958 | Art Schankin, Illinois              | 1976 | Brian Smith, Columbia                |
| 1959 | Al Morales, Navy                    | 1977 | Mike Sullivan, Notre Dame            |
| 1960 | Mike Desaro, New York University    | 1978 | Mike Sullivan, Notre Dame            |
| 1961 | Israel Colon, New York University   | 1979 | Yuri Rabinovich, Wayne State         |
| 1962 | Barton Nisonson, Columbia           |      |                                      |

**EPEE**

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|------|------------------------------------|------|--------------------------------------|
| 1941 | G. H. Boland, Illinois             | 1963 | Larry Crum, Navy                     |
| 1942 | Ben Burt, Ohio State               | 1964 | Paul Pesthy, Rutgers                 |
| 1947 | Abraham Balk, New York University  | 1965 | Paul Pesthy, Rutgers                 |
| 1948 | William Bryan, Navy                | 1966 | Bernhardt Hermann, Iowa              |
| 1949 | Richard C. Bowman, Army            | 1967 | George Masin, New York University    |
| 1950 | Thomas Stuart, Navy                | 1968 | Don Sieja, Cornell                   |
| 1951 | Daniel Chafetz, Columbia           | 1969 | James Wetzler, Pennsylvania          |
| 1952 | James Wallner, New York University | 1970 | John Nadas, Case Western Reserve     |
| 1953 | Jack Tori, Pennsylvania            | 1971 | George Szunyogh, New York University |
| 1954 | Henry Kolowrat, Princeton          | 1972 | Ernesto Fernandez, Pennsylvania      |
| 1955 | Donald Tadrawski, Notre Dame       | 1973 | Risto Hurme, New York University     |
| 1956 | Kinmont Hoitsma, Princeton         | 1974 | Risto Hurme, New York University     |
| 1957 | James Margolis, Columbia           | 1975 | Risto Hurme, New York University     |
| 1958 | Roland Wommack, Navy               | 1976 | Randy Eggleton, Pennsylvania         |
| 1959 | Roland Wommack, Navy               | 1977 | Hans Wieselgren, New York University |
| 1960 | Gil Eisner, New York University    | 1978 | Bjorne Vaggo, Notre Dame             |
| 1961 | Jerry Halpern, New York University | 1979 | Carlo Songini, Cleveland State       |
| 1962 | Thane Hawkins, Navy                |      |                                      |