



A Colby High School varsity wrestler tried to pin his opponent from Norton Community High during a match Thursday at the Colby elementary gym. The Eagles didn't get a break from action, as they competed at the Beloit Invitational the next day.

Eagles win Beloit Invite

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The Colby High varsity wrestling team dominated the Beloit Invitational on Friday and Saturday, taking first place out of 22 schools.

The team finished the tournament with 155.5 team points.

For the Eagles, Konnor Kriss, 138 pounds, took first place in his class and was voted the Most Outstanding Wrestler of the tourney. Dustin Reed, 120, also took first.

Michael Tubbs, 132, and Zell Bieberle, 285, both came in second.

At 170, Beau Brown finished third, David Mainus, 106, and Andrew Taylor, 160, fourth, and Quade Woofter, 145, fifth.

Concordia High came in second with 146 points, Hoxie third with 135.5, Oberlin fourth with 111, Marysville fifth with 107.5, Beloit sixth with 105, Abilene seventh with 100.5, Chanute eighth with 98.5, Salina South ninth with 96 and Plainville 10th with 94.4.

Smith Center took 11th place

with 82 points, Blue Valley Southwest 12th with 78, Silver Lake 13th with 72, Clay Center 14th with 62, Republic County 15th with 60.5, Hill City 16th with 41.5, Desoto and Minneapolis tied for 17th with 38, Bennington 19th with 21, Stockton 20th with 9, Lincoln 21st with 0 and Osborne in last place with 0.

Meanwhile, the Colby High junior varsity came in fifth place in the Atwood Varsity Tournament on Saturday with 58.5 team points.

Wray, Colo., took first with 174.5 points, Leoti was second with 101.5, Fleming third with 96, Sedgwick County from Colorado fourth with 93.5, Atwood sixth with 55.5, St. John's Military of Salina seventh with 30 and Goodland eighth with 25.

For the junior varsity Eagles, Macen Shull, at 138 pounds, took first in his weight. Brett Schroeder, 120; Garrett Kraft, 145; and Macen Slinger, 285, all took third.

Kyle Finley, 132; Austin Schissler, 138; Eric Schutte, 152; and Jay Ziegelmeier, 170, finished fourth.

Trojans make history with win in Hutchinson

For the first time in Colby Community College men's basketball history, the team walked out of the Sports Arena in Hutchinson on Saturday victorious.

The Trojans, who have played some close games recently, were able to come away with a 73-67 win over the Blue Dragons. That improved their record to 17-3 overall and 5-1 in the Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conference.

The team, led by Jamie Adams' 30 points, was able to make history twice with the win in Hutchinson. First, it was the first time a Colby team had won in Hutchinson. Second, the men started conference play winning five of their first six games for the first time.

"This is truly a testament to how hard our guys have worked," said Coach Dustin Pfeifer. "They are a good group of young men who have attacked each day with the intensity needed to become better."

Colby and Hutch went back and forth the entire first half until Colby was able to make a late run and push the halftime lead out to 8 points, 39-31. The second half was much the same, as the two teams battled for the lead until the final minutes.

The game was tied at 67 with 1:08 remaining when Adams made a shot that may have been one of the biggest in Trojan's history. After coming off a ball screen, he stepped up and hit a three-pointer from the top of the key, putting Colby up 70-67.

"It was an incredible shot that Jamie hit," said Pfeifer.



Jamie Adams

ifer. "It felt like the big crowd of Hutch fans seemed to lose all hope at that point. As a coach, it was definitely a shot that I will never forget."

Following that, the Trojans were able to finish the game at the free-throw line.

"These are the reasons you play this game," Pfeifer said. "Our guys had a great time playing basketball on Saturday, and the celebration in the locker room after the game was an inspiring thing to see."

"We understand that we have a lot of work left to do this season, but the victory Saturday is one that the entire community should take pride in for a long time."

For his efforts last week, Adams was named Player of the Week by the conference.

Adams, a 5 foot, 9 inch guard from Chicago, was chosen for his performances in the games against Butler County Community College and Hutch. He scored 22 points along with 4 assists and 6 steals in the win against Butler last Wednesday. He followed that with a 30-point performance at Hutchinson, recording 7 assists and 2 steals.

Other leading scorers were Vincent Dillard 13, Carson Konrade 13 and Marty Wendel 8. Leading rebounders were Konrade, 8, and Wendel, 7.

Colby will play Barton County Community College at 8 p.m. tonight at the Community Building. The Trojans are 5-1 in the conference, 17-3 overall, while Barton County is 3-2 and 17-2.

Admirers mourn Joe Paterno

By Genaro C. Armas
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STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — The second day of a three-day period of public mourning for Joe Paterno will culminate with the funeral and burial for the Hall of Fame football coach who became the face of Penn State University.

Hundreds of alumni, residents and students are attending a viewing until noon Wednesday. The family will hold a private funeral in the afternoon.

First in line to pay his respects was David Brown, who left his home in Greensburg at midnight and drove more than two hours to State College then prepared to wait a few hours outside until the doors opened.

Behind him was John Myers, 70, who drove more than two hours from Tamaqua to arrive at 5 a.m. — three hours before the viewing was scheduled to begin.

"It's worth it," Myers said. "Joe was one of the best, if not the best, football coaches ever."

The 85-year-old Paterno died Sunday of lung cancer. He had been ousted just days before learning of his diagnosis in November, forced out of his job in the wake of child sex-abuse charges against a former assistant.

This week, mourners are focusing on the full body of accomplishments and philanthropy compiled by Paterno during his 46-year tenure as the Nittany Lions' coach.

"His legacy is still going to be filled with the great things that he

did. Look at this place," said Tom Sherman, a 1969 graduate from Johnstown, Pa.

Before tearing up, Sherman said he attended Paterno's first game as head coach in 1966.

"It's like he's part of your life," he said. "I admire that guy so much."

Thousands more waited in line Tuesday on an overcast winter afternoon for the first day of visitation at the Pasquerilla Spiritual Center, where Paterno family members regularly attended services.

Inside the hall, the coach's body lay in a closed, brown hardwood casket topped by a spray of white roses. About six feet away sat a stylized black-and-white picture of the man who became lovingly known on campus as "JoePa," smiling and peering out through

his trademark thick-rimmed glasses.

Paterno's casket had an "honor guard" of two Penn State players — one past and one present. Some mourners stopped for a moment of reflection, or to genuflect in the interfaith hall.

Others fought back tears and sniffles. The only other sounds were the occasional clicks of news photographers taking pictures.

Paterno won 409 games and two national championships in a career admired by peers as much for its longevity as its success. Paterno also took as much pride in the program's graduation rates, often at or close to the top of the Big Ten.

On Thursday, the school's basketball arena will be the site of a public service called "A Memorial for Joe."



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