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Coaches Corner

The dual meet season has come to a close and it's been a season full of ups and downs. I'm excited for our early season success and for the spirit of the athletes who stuck through the tough times of the dual season. There are a number of positives that we can build from heading into the EWL tournament. We won the first PSAC team title in 16 years, crowning 3 champions. We defeated Edinboro in a dual for the first time in 12 years. James Fleming placed 4th at the prestigious Midlands tournament and has been ranked as high as 5th in the country! Freshman Anthony White has stepped up to win over 20 matches in his freshman season. In the new NCAA coaches polls, we've had 5 Clarion wrestlers ranked in the top 33 of their respective weight classes; White, Fleming, Abdurakhmonov, Thomas

Results

- Midlands Tournament - 17th of 42 teams
- Clarion Vs.
- Princeton - W 22-15
- Davidson College - W 36-15
- North Carolina - L10-32
- Virginia Tech - L 3-39
- West Virginia - L4-39
- Eastern Michigan - L 10-33
- Kent State - L6-44
- Bloomsburg - L 15-19
- Rider - L 18-22
- Ohio University - L18-28
- Pittsburgh - L 9-32
- Cleveland State - W 30-10
- Lock Haven - L 19-24

and McCorkle. Now we turn our attention to the EWL and NCAA Championships. I am very excited to see our Clarion wrestlers take another step forward in restoring the Clarion Tradition. I hope that many of you will join us in Philadelphia for a celebration of this season's accomplishments on Saturday March 19th at McFadden's Ballpark after the conclusion of the NCAA Championships. See you soon!

- ◆ Friends of Clarion Wrestling Golf Outing - Friday July 29th will be held @ Clarion Oaks Golf Course.
- ◆ Wrestling Banquet - April 2nd - Details coming soon contact Lisa Kerle 814-319-3013
- ◆ NCAA after party for all Clarion ticket holders. March 19th @ McFadden's Ballpark in Philly!

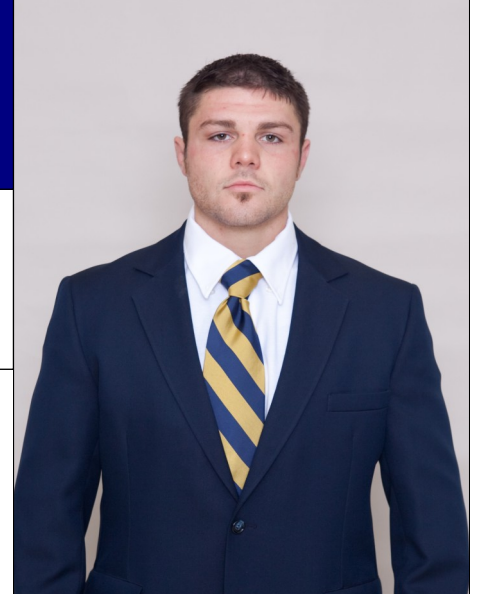
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- Wells Fargo Center in Philadelphia, PA.(20,000+attendance sold out)
- 113 tickets sold to Clarion fans
- After party at McFadden's Ballpark in Citizens Bank Park (all ticket holders invited - non-holders RSVP to 814-393-2455 or j.r.oplinger@eagle.clarion.edu)
- Clarion Wrestling will be providing shirts for the ticket holders to help support the team
- James Fleming ranked #6 in the country
- Anthony White, Alex Thomas, and Bekzod Abdurakhmonov have the chance to qualify

NCAA Championship

- Fundamentals Camp - June 26-30
- Team Camp - June 26-30
- Techniques Camp - July 3-7
- Father/Son Weekends - June 24-26, July 8-10
- Father/Son Week - July 31-August 4
- Satellite Commuter Camps - July 18-20
- Team Competition Weekend - August 5-7
- Camp Brochures can be mailed on request - contact Wrestling office

Summer Wrestling Camps



Player Interview: Scott Joseph

Where are you from?

Kiski Area High School, about 20 minutes outside of Pittsburgh.

What is your major?

I am a Liberal Studies and Sports Management major with a minor in Athletic Coaching.

How long have you been wrestling?

I have been wrestling since I was 5, so 19 years all together...man I'm getting old.

What do you do with your free time?

I love to spend time with my family and friends. I love to fish, camp, hunt, and cook.

What do you love most about wrestling?

I love the personal battle. It's just you and your opponent putting your foot on the line to see who is better and will come out victorious. It's simple but very complex at the same time. There is just something special about it, but once you get into it you make it a part of your life and it will always be there.

What is your best memory with wrestling here at Clarion?

Beating Cleveland State my sophomore year for our first EWL win. I felt that it started Clarion Wrestling on its way back to its historic tradition of great wrestling. Not only do I consider that match to be the turning point but also when we gained our identity as a team. We battle every second of every match and wrestle with heart. That became our identity and I'm proud to be a part of that.

What will you miss most about Clarion/Wrestling?

The thing I will miss the most is what I couldn't wait to be done with, the daily grind. It's hard to wake up every day and give it your all to get better. The life you live with training, school, relationships, and just day to day life is extremely challenging but it gives you purpose and meaning. It's a funny feeling you can't wait for it to end but you hate to see it go.

What do you plan on doing after you graduate?

I plan on working in the field of athletics especially coaching.