

## Cougar wrestlers ranked seventh in nation

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Mike Haluska, head wrestling coach at Clackamas, finds no pressure to make his athletes work hard.

Many of the star wrestlers at Clackamas have the work ethic it takes to make them successful and make them champions. The other athletes on the team follow the leadership of these stars in trying to make themselves better.

"We're real talented," Haluska said of the team ranked seventh in the preseason national poll. He believes that the keys to a successful season will be keeping his wrestlers healthy and keeping them in school. Haluska says that all of the competitions up until the regional meet will be practice for that meet.

Travis Rollins of Newberg, last year's community college national champion at 118 pounds, will return this year to lead the Cougars. Also at 118 pounds will be second-year wrestler Chris Frisbie of Willamette High School, Greg Sauer of Molalla, Scott Schindler of McMinnville and Ansen Sligar of Oregon City.

Haluska knows that Sauer has a ton of talent, but that he hasn't reached his full potential.

At 126 pounds, the Cougars will be led by national runner-up Jake Whisenhunt from Stayton. Jake's brother Josh was a national qualifier last year and will wrestle at 134 pounds this year.

The 142 pound weight class is up

for grabs between Glen Garrison, a state champion wrestler from Beaverton, and David D'Avanzo from Barlow.

Lloyd Martindale from Marshall H.S. is in his first year of college wrestling and will compete for Clackamas at 150 pounds. Damon McPherson, a state champion from Jefferson in Portland, will be one of those competing for the 158 pound spot. The others at 158 pounds include second-year wrestler Chad Mitchell of Tigard and freshman Arlo Manion of

year at 190 pounds, returns this year for the Cougars as one of the team's vocal leaders. First-year

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Four wrestlers will compete for the spot at 177 pounds. These include freshman Scott Mitchell of Tigard, Jeremy Braun of Banks, second-year competitor Jeff Vowell of St. Helens and freshman Damion Martindale, a state champion wrestler from Marshall. Haluska considers Martindale the best recruit in a very talented freshman class.

Jason Marshall of Molalla, who placed sixth at nationals last

wrestler Steve Santoni, a state champion from Phoenix last year, will compete in the heavyweight class for Clackamas.

Haluska will look to Josh Whisenhunt, Lloyd Martindale and Jason Marshall for the leadership that the team will need to stay strong, both physically and mentally.

Haluska believes the Cougars' toughest regular season opponent to be North Idaho, which is ranked third in the national poll. Clackamas' first official meet is this Saturday at Yakima. Then the Cougars travel to Central Washington on Sunday for a tough dual. The Reno Tournament on Dec. 1 will be one of the biggest meets of the year for Clackamas.

The Cougars are loaded with talent and have the potential to compete for the national title.

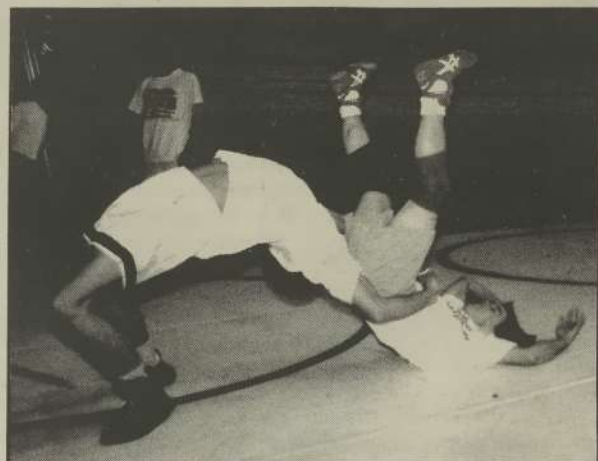


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Wrestlers have begun training for their upcoming '94 season.

## TOP 10

1994 Junior College Poll

1. Garden City (Kan.)
2. Northern Idaho
3. Fresno City (Calif.)
4. Lincoln (ILL.)
5. Cuyahoga (Ohio)
6. Lassen (Calif)
7. Clackamas (Ore.)
8. Cerritos (Calif.)
9. Willmar (Minn.)
10. Iowa Central

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