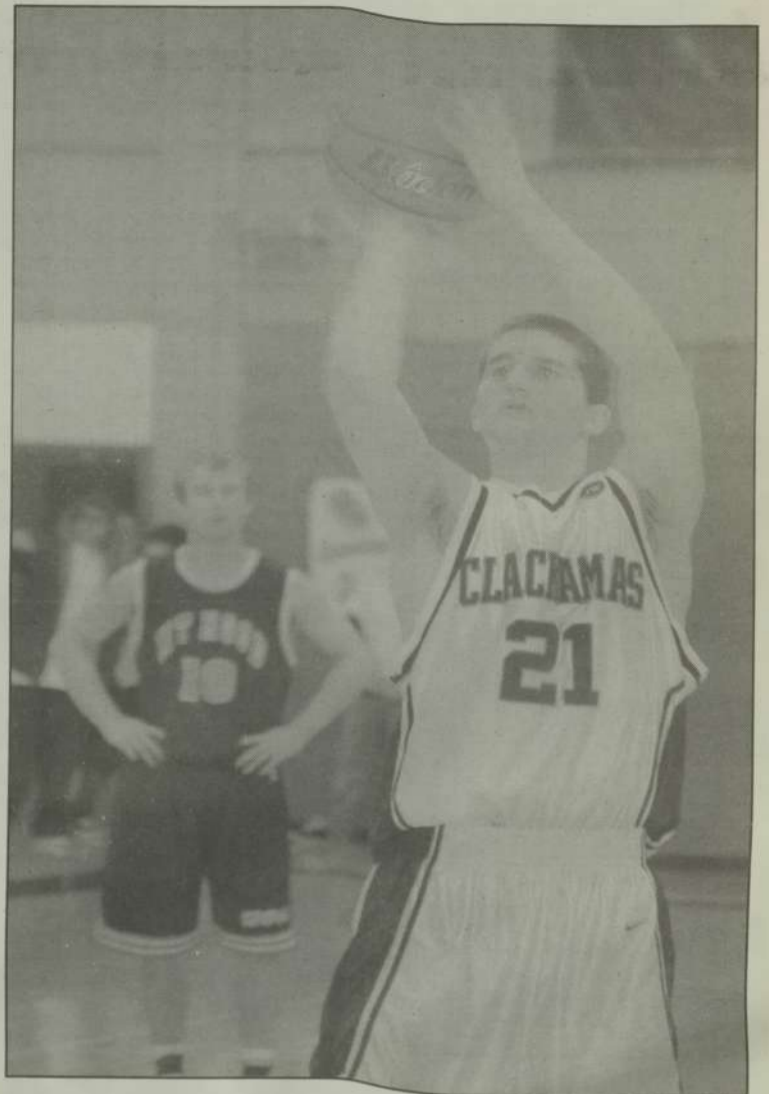




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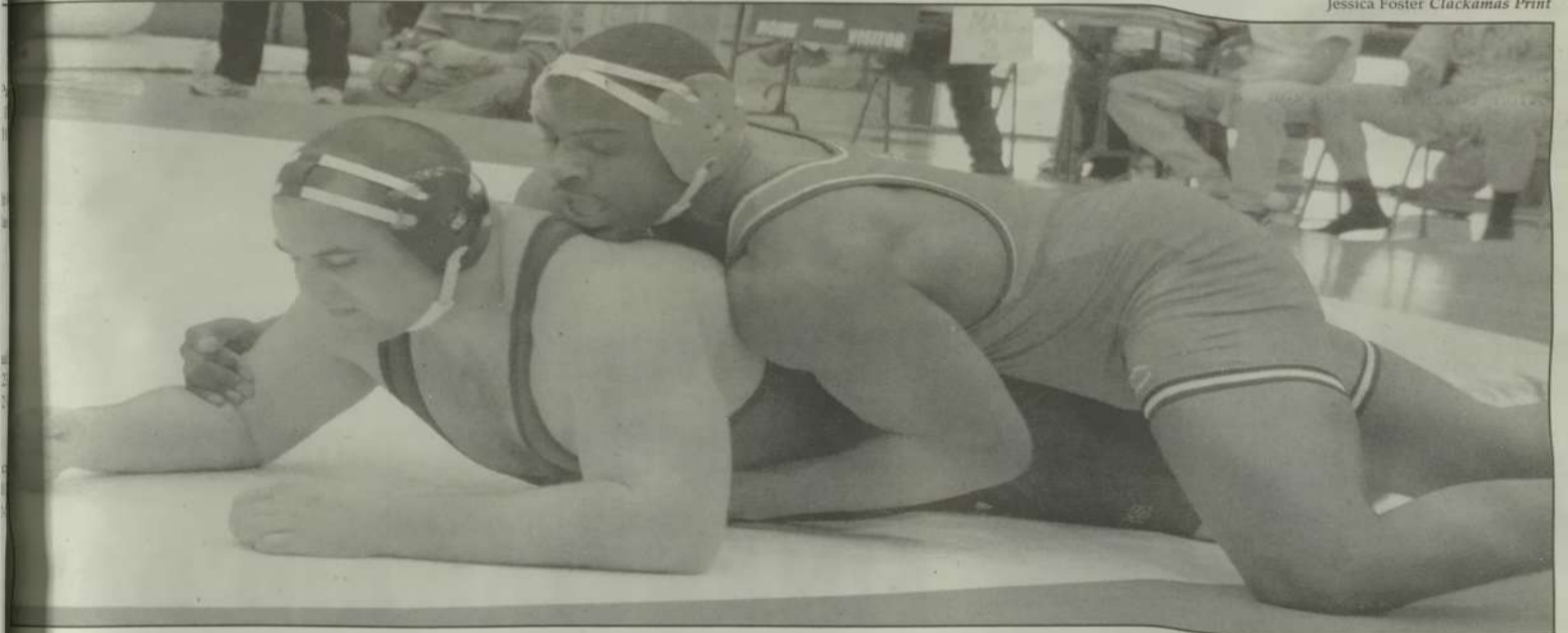
Top left: Clackamas' Brett Sanchez takes a hit from Montana State Northern's Jonas Schenzel at the Clackamas Open Tournament Jan. 17.



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Right: Point guard Jeff Dorman takes a free throw on Jan. 14 against Mt. Hood CC. Dorman shot 26 points to help carry the team to their third win of the season. Clackamas is currently 4-0.

Bottom: Top-ranked Montana's Robbie Shaw gets taken down by Clackamas' second-ranked Tyrell Fortune to place first in his weight class at the tournament.



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# Snow thaws, Cougs heat up

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Even with all this recent snow the Lady Cougars are heating

During the winter break the team participated in the Crossover tournament in Olympia, Wash. They won their first two titles of the tournament, defeating Highline Community College 83-75 and Yakima Valley Community College 73-56.

The Lady Cougars advanced the championship game but the tournament was canceled due to the weather.

A road trip to Phoenix was planned for the Lady Cougars and their back to back losses to

Chandler-Gilbert Community College and South Mountain Community College, they closed out the trip by crushing Phoenix Community College 95-65.

Division League play started on Jan. 7, and the Lady Cougars beat Chemeketa Community College 70-40, Southwestern Community College 87-56, and Mt. Hood Community College 67-50.

Clackamas is now 3-0 in division play and 12-3 overall. They are now ranked third in the entire Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges.

Head coach Jim Martineau said his team has a good shot at the championship game this year. He also said they need to "Take care of the home court."

Guard Shayla Fetters said the key to victory is, "When we play as a team we win." Fetters is a sophomore in her first season with the team, having transferred to Clackamas after playing for Umpqua Community College last year.

With Umpqua currently leading the division, there is a good chance Fetters will be facing her old team in the playoffs. A scenario she is very excited about.

Fetters also said the difference between Clackamas and her old team is that the Lady Cougars have, "more team chemistry" and "win."

Please turn to page six to find out what happened in the Lady Cougs' match-ups against Mt. Hood CC and Linn-Benton CC.



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Starting guard Shayla Fetters, far right, before sinking a freethrow in the Lady Cougs' matchup against Mt. Hood CC. The Cougars cruised to a win with a final score of 50-67.