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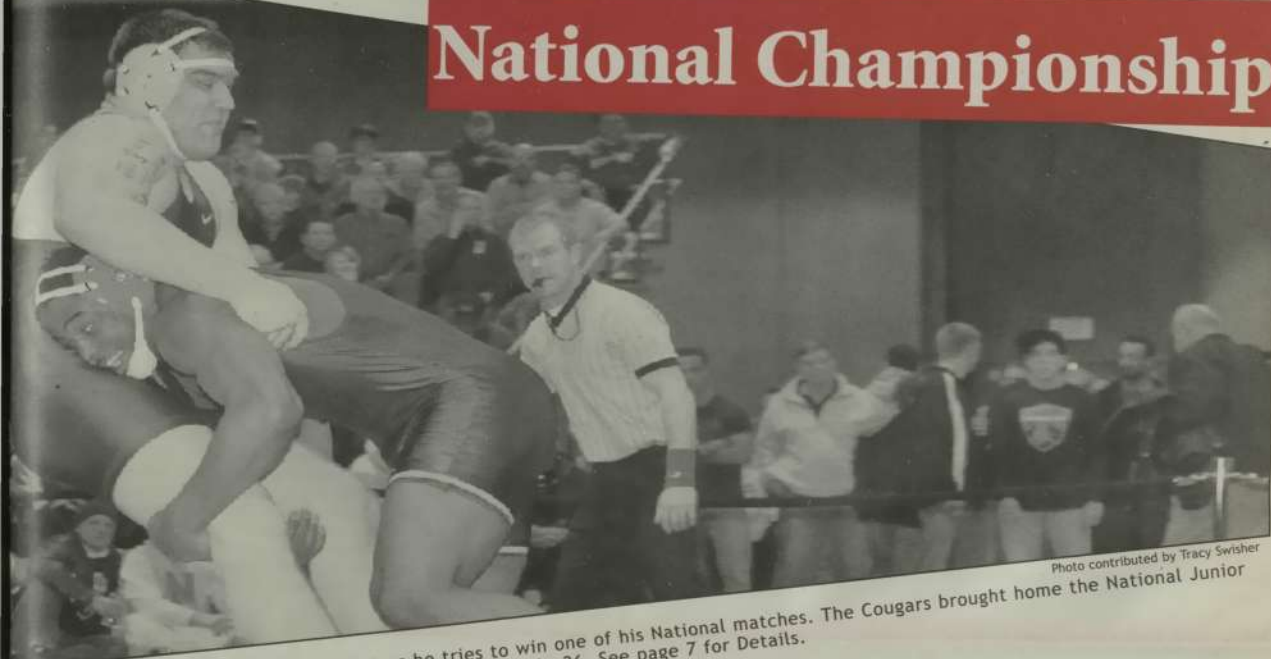


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Clackamas' Tyrell Fortune spears his opponent as he tries to win one of his National matches. The Cougars brought home the National Junior College Athletic Association Championship title on Saturday, Feb. 26. See page 7 for Details.

Regional Champions



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Kleinholtz tries to block Lane Community College's Darrell Breazell in Clackamas' last home game. Clackamas won 79-61 and once again the title of Regional Champions. See page 6 for story.

Veterans' military training to translate to college credits

By Brian Baldwin
News Editor

Clackamas Community College continues to boast its services for veterans, a grant from the American Council of Education and a grant will help provide an even greater opportunity for Clackamas students returning veterans trying to advance their education or find a better job.

Working with ACE, Clackamas will start to institute mili-

tary experience for college credit. According to Steffen Moller, dean of curriculum, planning and research, students, regardless of being a veteran or not, can bring credits to Clackamas through prior learning such as AP courses from high school. However this grant will create a system where veterans can cross huge hurdles to get a degree based upon their job, or Military Occupational Specialty.

"What we're trying to do with the grant from ACE-Walmart is to look at some of those trainings in the

military and then work with departments here on campus to look at the outcomes of the training and the outcomes of our courses and say, 'OK, if you come in with this, we'll give you credit for this course,'" said Moller.

According to Moller, ACE travels to military installations and compares the outcomes of military training to general college courses, and based upon their recommendation, the college can award college credit for that training. However ACE does not make a distinction on which course to award credit for.

"The limitation on that is that it doesn't say 'BA-285,' 'MTH-111' or whatever else it may be. It does not tie directly to an equivalent course on any campus," said Moller. "That will become the local college's determination."

The college is looking at three different areas to allow veterans to get college credit for: business management, water quality and automotive repair.

"One of the departments we are working with is the automotive department. I was talking with David

Bradley, and he said that he had worked with a student that did auto maintenance in Iraq, so he knows how to take a transmission apart put it back together and put it back inside the truck. And he's going to take that out into combat? Yeah, I think we can give him credit for what we would teach in a transmissions class, because not only has he done it but he's also depending on it in a different fashion," said Moller.

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