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Preview
Edition

**Senior
Gene
Ringer**

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(Photo by Connie Sorg)

Welcome to the No-Hype Zone

You won't see a lot of hype surrounding the 2015-16 Reynolds Raiders on these pages. The reason? Because this team doesn't need any. You can rest assured that all the pieces are in place for another highly successful season. Call it a quiet confidence.

While I have my own personal expectation level for this team, I hesitate to lay that out here because I think it's possible that those expectations may get surpassed. Yep, this year's Raiders are that good.

As fans of the sport, we have learned that a wrestling season is a journey, filled with obstacles and unexpected twists and turns. I look forward to following the Raiders' journey throughout the 2015-16 season.

ALUMNI GET TOGETHER—Save the dates February 11-13, 2016.

Organized by Chuck Coryea and Brian Hills, a Reynolds Wrestling reunion is being planned to coincide with the state Dual Match championships in Hershey.

The purpose of the reunion is two-fold. One, to help cheer on the Raiders

to a state championship; and, two, to get together and spend some time socializing and reminiscing.

The event is open to anyone who is associated with the program including fans, teachers, cheerleaders, wrestlers, mat maids, etc.



Our central hotel and meeting place will be the Comfort Inn & Suites in Grantville, Pa.

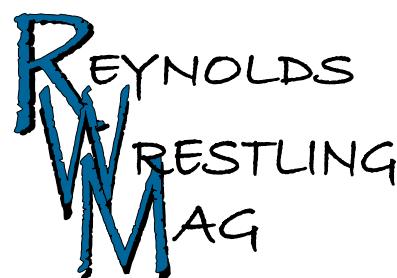
Special events will be planned throughout the extended weekend, including a social hour from 6-11 p.m. Thursday evening (Feb. 11).

You are on your own to make reservations — see pg. 6 for more info — but should mention "Reynolds Wrestling" at the time of the booking to receive a special rate of \$79.99. We would love to see you there.

WHERE DO WE START? - We begin the season with Reynolds having an all-time dual match record of 769-91-2. Even with another 20-plus win season the Raiders will not be able to get to 800 this season, that will have to wait.

Coach Casey Taylor begins his fifth season with a record of 87-14. He will certainly get to 100 wins this season and that is an accomplishment we will all celebrate.

Individually, Gage Bayless (73-20) and Cole Rickert (67-20) are in line to join the 100-win Club. Seth Hogue (109) and Gene Ringer (113) are already members.



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EVENTS THAT MAY HAPPEN IN 2015-2016

- Casey Taylor Reaches 100 Coaching Wins
- Gage Bayless & Cole Rickert Reach 100 Career Wins
 - Seth Hogue 4-Time Section Champion
 - Gage Bayless 3-Time District 10 Champion
- Cole Rickert 3-Time Northwest Regional Champion
- Seth Hogue & Gene Ringer Earn Seven PIAA medals
 - Cole Matthews Repeats as PIAA Champion



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The Beat Goes On

Raiders Roll into 2015-16 Season with Talent, Experience and an Unrelenting Desire to Excel

BY DON SHAFFER
RWM Editor

Every new season at Reynolds is met with optimism, but once every decade or so a team comes along that creates a heightened level of expectation. The good news for Raider Nation is that those lofty pre-season expectations are about to mesh with reality as the 2015-16 high school wrestling season has finally arrived.

The Raiders roll into the new season riding high on a wave of momentum having won the team points title at the 2015 PIAA Class AA Championships.

Reynolds had seven wrestlers participate in the 2015 state tournament and five return this season, including four who won medals.

"Our goals have been discussed openly and often. To practice with a purpose and get better, become one unit that operates as a family,

place Top 10 at Ironman, Top 5 at Powerade, win the Brookville Duals, and, ultimately, win the PIAA Duals title and the PIAA individual tournament," said Raider Coach Casey Taylor, who begins his fifth season with an 87-14 record. "These are goals that are obtainable with everyone contributing in key situations."

"... if we are to meet our goals, it will be done with the 24 of them becoming a family. They will need to push each other in the gym, and be there for one another outside of it. That is something that is preached at RHS and also a chief priority of mine ... I believe they will step up to the challenge."

"I think the team is excited about the opportunity that they have to compete for a dual meet and team state championship," Taylor continued. "The other coaches and I are constantly reminding the team that it is a long season with some of the best competition in the country ahead of us, which will ultimately prepare our team for this year's post-season."

"The coaching staff firmly believes that if we are to meet our goals, it will be done with the 24 of them becoming a family," Taylor said. "They will need to push each other in the gym, and be there for one another outside of it. That is something that is preached at RHS and also a chief priority of mine ... I believe they will step up to the challenge."

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(Photo by Annese Bayless)

Returning state runner-up Seth Hogue (left) and returning state champion Cole Matthews are back to lead the Raiders in 2015-16.

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priority of mine as the head coach. I believe they will step up to the challenge."

Cole Matthews, who last season became the third RHS freshman to win a state title, is back for his sophomore campaign. Seth Hogue (2nd), Gene Ringer (6th) and Cole Rickert (7th) also won Hershey hardware.

Seniors Hogue (109-32) and Ringer (113-45) have been elected team captains and both are two-time state medalists.

"To have two guys — Hogue and Ringer — that are 100-plus match winners and more importantly the experience to lead this young team in the right direction is immeasurable," Taylor said. "Not to mention they have 2 individual medals and 3 team medals each from Hershey to their credit."

In addition, junior Gage Bayless is a two-time state qualifier. Those five wrestlers will form a stable and formidable nucleus for Coach Taylor to build this year's team around.

"The five of them know that they will need to lead by example and they are off to a great start in that regard," Taylor said.

"What excites me the most about having them is their uniqueness. Not one of them wrestles the same style as the other, so they all bring a wealth of experience and different 'ways of winning' into our room," Taylor said.

In addition to the five wrestlers with state-level experience, six others

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Active Career Win Leaders

Gene Ringer	113
Seth Hogue	109
Gage Bayless	73
Cole Rickert	67
Chaise Hauck	50
Cole Matthews	43
Joel Leise	35
Ryan Harnett	21

Most Wins

Last Season

Cole Matthews	43
Seth Hogue	41
Gene Ringer	41
Cole Rickert	36
Gage Bayless	34
Chaise Hauck	23
Ryan Harnett	21
Joel Leise	11
Jared Uhrin	10

Most Pins

Last Season

Cole Matthews	21
Gene Ringer	20
Cole Rickert	17
Seth Hogue	16
Gage Bayless	15
Ryan Harnett	10
Joel Leise	7

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also won letters last season including juniors Chaise Hauck, Joel Leise, Jared Uhrin and Damion Gearhart, and sophomores Ryan Harnett and Ryan Park.

"I look to Leise and Hauck as two more to add to the list of guys who were state qualifiers," Taylor said. "They are terrific young men that have the ability and the work ethic to be very high on the podium in Hershey this year. The experience that Harnett and Uhrin have under their belt is priceless. They certainly add two more battle tested Raiders to our team."



Casey Taylor,
Head Coach

5th season

Record: 87-14

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A talented freshman class appears ready for prime time.

"The freshmen are collectively gaining the respect from the upperclassmen. They have hit the ground running and have not backed down," Taylor said. "We will rely heavily on all of them at

some point this season and we look for two or three to start right out of the gate."

Freshman Beau Bayless is already a household name across much of Raider Nation and most expect him to be the starter at 106 pounds. Bayless was listed as one of the top incoming freshmen in the state by *PA Power Wrestling*.

However, Bayless will have to earn his spot and faces a stiff challenge from classmate Rocco Bartolo, who has done nothing but improve and impress in pre-season workouts.

At 113 pounds it looks like freshman Andrew Ischo will be unchallenged. Gage Bayless should win the job at 120 pounds, but he, like

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RHS State Champions

Jim Gollner	145	1967	12
Chuck Coryea	HWT	1972	12
Dave Anthony	132	1974	12
Jeff Shipton	105	1975	11
Matt Smargiasso	126	1976	11
Kevin Klasic	185	1979	12
Aaron Armer	275	1989	12
Matt Gentile	275	1992	12
Jonathan Hazi	103	1993	11
Casey Taylor	119	1993	10
Mark Bodo	189	1993	12
Jonathan Hazi	103	1994	12
Casey Taylor	135	1994	11
Casey Taylor	140	1995	12
Justin Nestor	130	1998	9
Justin Nestor	145	2000	11
Jerry Kendall	103	2001	12
Justin Nestor	145	2001	12
Matt Dunn	103	2003	9
Matt Dunn	145	2006	12
Mike Edwards	275	2006	12
Mason Beckman	119	2010	11
Mason Beckman	125	2011	12
Austin Matthews	152	2013	12
Cole Matthews	120	2015	9

Six of the Raiders'
8 Section champions are
back from last season

Steve Popovitch's ALUMNI NEWS

Bartolo, Millero Off to Solid Starts



Mason Beckman



Mike Bartolo



Dylan D'Urso



Mason McCollum

Eight former Reynolds Raiders are competing in college this season. What follows is a summary of how they fared in the month of November.

Clarion true freshman **Michael Bartolo ('15)** earned the starting varsity spot for the Golden Eagles and is off to a solid start to his college career. Bartolo picked up a major decision and a fall in his first two matches, advancing to the semifinals of the Clarion Open before dropping two straight to finish in fifth place.

At the Eastern Michigan Duals Michael went 2-2 with wins over his opponents from Michigan State and Eastern Michigan. Michael then lost a tight 6-5 decision as Clarion topped Bloomsburg in a dual and posted a win by decision as Clarion fell to Edinboro.

Bartolo finished the month in dramatic fashion winning a come from behind match by scoring back points in overtime as Clarion stunned No. 26 Rider. Clarion's next competition is the PSAC Championships on Saturday Dec. 5.

Waynesburg freshman **Mike Millero ('15)** is starting at 174 lbs. for the Yellow Jackets. Millero won his college debut by decision in a dual against Shippensburg. Waynesburg then traveled to Kings College where they finished fourth at the Monarch Invitational as Millero went 2-2 and finished one match shy of placing.

After dropping a decision in Waynesburg's loss to West Liberty, Millero had a strong showing at the W&J Invitational going 3-1 and finishing third. Mike finished the month with a dual-match victory as Waynesburg thumped Muskingum. Waynesburg is back in action on Dec. 5 at the Ohio Northern University Invitational.

Mason McCollum ('14), a sophomore at Mercyhurst, got his season off to an excellent start by advancing to the finals of the Mt. Union Invitational before finishing as the runner-up. McCollum will be backing up a returning All-American at 157 pounds for Mercyhurst, which opened the season ranked fourth in the nation.

Edinboro's redshirt sophomore — **Austin Matthews ('13)** — has yet to get back on the mat as he continues to heal from the injuries that ended his 2015 season.

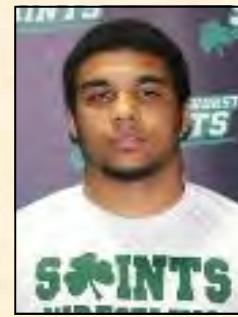
Austin tells RWM that he does not expect to be back in action until sometime in the second semester. He could potentially make his season debut when the Fighting Scots host George Mason on Jan. 16. The pre-season national rankings had Austin ranked as high as fourth at 157 lbs.



Austin Matthews



Mike Millero



Jamar Henry



Blake Heim

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After qualifying for nationals for Mercyhurst NorthEast his first two seasons, junior **Jamar Henry ('13)** has transferred to Mercyhurst where he reunites with his former RHS teammates Dylan D'Urso and Mason McCollum.

Jamar opened his season with a solid showing -- finishing sixth at the Mt. Union Invitational. Henry dropped a decision as No. 4 Mercyhurst was upset by #12 Cal Baptist. Look for Henry to be in the starting lineup as Mercyhurst will host the PSAC Championships on Dec. 5.

Redshirt junior and 2014 All-American **Dylan D'Urso ('12)** opened

the season ranked No. 4 at 141 lbs. Dylan advanced to the finals of the Mt. Union Invitational where he dropped a decision to a D-III All-American from Mt. Union. Dylan was held out of the Cal Baptist dual because of injury and is currently being evaluated to determine the exact extent of that injury. It is possible that Dylan could miss up to a month.

Two-time All-American **Mason Beckman ('11)**, a red-shirt senior for Lehigh University, started the season with a rare honor as he was selected to compete in the NWCA All-Star Classic for a third straight season.

Mason, who had split decisions with Edinboro's AJ Schopp in his previous appearances, gave up a takedown in the sudden victory period to drop a tough decision to Michigan's Rossi Bruno.

Mason's regular season got off to an equally frustrating start as he dropped tight decisions in dual matches against Bucknell, Minnesota and Nebraska.

Mason took some time off in Lehigh's duals against Pitt



Thiel College senior Blake Heim is off to a 4-1 start

and Edinboro in an effort to get back to 100 percent and he'll hope to get his season back on track when Lehigh travels to Rider and Princeton on Saturday Dec. 5. Mason has been ranked as high as No. 3 this season.

Thiel College senior heavyweight **Blake Heim ('12)** was injured in pre-season workouts but nonetheless began his season with a victory against Mt. Union. Since then, Heim has been used strategically by Coach Craig Thurber.

Heim picked up two pins at the W&J Invitational – one of them in 8 seconds – and advanced to the semi-finals before reaching his pre-determined match limit. Heim then went 1-1 at the Mt. Union duals picking up another pin against Heidelberg and dropping a decision against Ferrum.

Thiel returns to action at RIT on Saturday Dec. 5 but Heim tells RWM that he does not expect to be in the lineup. Heim will gear the remainder of his senior season toward the postseason with his ultimate goal reaching the D-III national championships.



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2015-16 VARSITY CHEERLEADERS include (front row, l-r) Casidee Millero, Meghan Slater and Rachael Harnett. Middle (l-r) Gabriella Evans, Mikala Bartolo, Katie Hightree and Rebecca Brocious. And back (l-r) Bri Hennigh, Katie Bateman, Sophia Tofani and Alexys BuCher.

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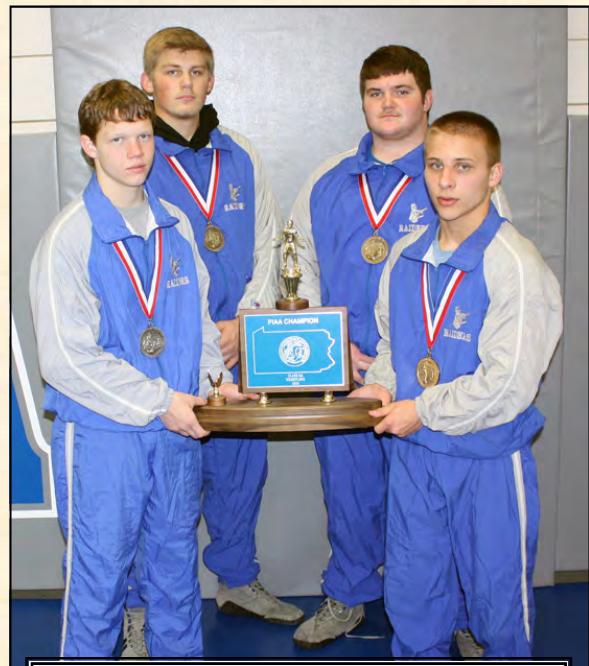
his younger brother, will be pushed by a couple of competent challengers in Harnett and sophomore Tylir Shannon, who has improved dramatically.

The heart of the Raiders' lineup - 126, 132 and 138 - looks rock solid as Matthews, Hogue and Hauck are expected to hold down those starting spots. Providing depth in those weight classes is senior Alec Reiter who is a capable backup and will be ready if called upon.

Sophomore Hunter Michaels, who went 2-2 at the varsity level last season and finished third at the PowerAde junior varsity tournament, appears ready to step into a full-time role this year and should get the nod at 145.

The battle at 152 pounds will be a free-for-all with candidates Gearhart, Park, Matthew Gosser, Daniel Blayney and freshman Hunter Thompson all desiring to own the position. Gearhart was injured at last season's Section tournament just when it looked like he was hitting his stride.

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Reynolds' returning state place-winners with the
2015 PIAA team championship trophy

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Junior Ben Wilcox worked his way into the varsity lineup last season for a couple of matches and is the favorite at 160 pounds, although some of those listed at the 152-pound log jam could possibly bump up to challenge him. Freshman Andrew Herman will back Wilcox but could also step in at 170 if his services are required.

After missing nearly all of last season with an injury, Leise is healthy and will be the man at 170 pounds while Uhrin will be the starter at 182.

A spirited battle will take place for the starting spot at 195 pounds as sophomore Jarod Miller will tangle with talented freshman Derek Skeehan. That match-up is expected to be among the most competitive battles in the practice room.

With both Rickert (220) and Ringer (285) returning

the Raiders are set at the top of the lineup. The Rickert-Ringer duo may just be the best 220, 285-pound combination in the state.

With the lineup starting to work itself out, Taylor looks forward to the start of a new season.

“As their coach, I look forward to many things. Practice is a great time to help these guys reach their potential. But in addition, I look forward to bus rides with the guys, the tough competition, and the feeling you get when a Raider reaches their goal or surpasses it. To be able to be a part of it is something very special,” Taylor said.

The Raiders’ 2015-16 schedule – see page 10 – includes 18 dual matches and two of the toughest in-season tournaments in the country—the Ironman and Powerade.

It all begins on Tuesday, Dec. 8 with a home dual match versus Grove City.

Seniors

- Daniel Blayney
- Alec Reiter
- Seth Hogue***
- Gene Ringer***

Juniors

- Gage Bayless**
- Cole Rickert**
- Damion Gearhart*
- Jared Uhrin*
- Chaise Hauck**
- Ben Wilcox
- Joel Leise**

Sophomores

- Matthew Gosser
- Jarod Miller
- Ryan Harnett*
- Ryan Park*
- Cole Matthews*
- Tylir Shannon
- Hunter Michaels

Freshmen

- Rocco Bartolo
- Andrew Ischo
- Beau Bayless
- Hunter Thompson
- Andrew Herman
- Derek Skeehan

* - indicates letters won



Seniors (l-r) Daniel Blayney, Seth Hogue, Alec Reiter and Gene Ringer

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- Casey Taylor
- Joe Reichard
- Marty Taylor
- Jay Pierce
- Logan Rickert
- Jeff Linn
- Tyler Miller

Jr. High

- Mark Higbee
- Levi Stoyer
- Bill Foore
- Chris Walter
- Shane Hauck
- Sean Bayless

Elementary

- Kevin Drew
- Bob Gentile
- Johnny Livingston
- Frank D'Urso
- Scott McCloskey

2014-15 Final Varsity Statistics

Wrestler	Gr.	Wins	Losses	Pins	T-Falls	Majors
Cole Matthews	Fr.	43	6	21	3	7
Seth Hogue	Jr.	41	6	16	1	6
Gene Ringer	Jr.	41	11	20		1
Michael Bartolo	Sr.	40	6	12	2	5
Cole Rickert	So.	36	11	17	2	1
Michael Millero	Sr.	35	12	9	2	8
Gage Bayless	So.	34	13	15	1	1
Chaise Hauck	So.	23	16	6		1
Ryan Harnett	Fr.	21	14	10		
Jake Stoyer	Sr.	18	18	10	1	
James Slater	Sr.	14	15	6		1
Joel Leise	So.	11	7	7	1	1
Jared Uhrin	So.	10	20	2		1
Nick Nottingham	Sr.	7	20	1		2
Damion Gearhart	So.	5	6			2
Ryan Zeronas	Sr.	5	13	4		
Matthew Gosser	Fr.	3	6	1	1	
Ryan Park	Fr.	3	7	1		
Hunter Michaels	Fr.	2	2	2		
Zach Huffman	Jr.	1	0	1		
Ben Wilcox	So.	1	3			
Totals		394	212	161	14	37



**2015-16 Reynolds High School
Varsity Wrestling Schedule**

Day	Month	Date	Location
December			
Tuesday	December	8	Grove City
Thursday	December	10	West Middlesex
Friday	December	11	Walsh Ironman Tournament
Saturday	December	12	Walsh Ironman Tournament
Tuesday	December	15	Hickory
Thursday	December	17	Slippery Rock
Saturday	December	19	Canfield Holiday Duals (3)
			vs. St. Paris Graham, St. Xavier, KY, Canfield
Monday	December	21	Greenville
Wednesday	December	23	Lakeview
Tuesday	January	29	Powerade Tournament
Wednesday	February	30	Powerade Tournament
January			
Wednesday	January	6	Sharpsville
Wednesday	January	13	Mercer (Senior Night)
Saturday	January	16	Brookville Ultimate Duals (5)
			vs. Burrell, Chestnut Ridge, Brookville, Greenville, Saegertown
Wednesday	January	20	Sharon
Wednesday	January	27	Franklin
February			
Saturday	February	6	District 10 Class AA Team Championships
Thursday	February	11	PIAA Class AA Team Championships
Friday	February	12	PIAA Class AA Team Championships
Saturday	February	13	PIAA Class AA Team Championships
Friday	February	19	Section Tournament
Saturday	February	20	Section Tournament
Friday	February	26	District 10 Class AA Championships
Saturday	February	27	District 10 Class AA Championships
March			
Friday	March	4	Class AA Northwest Regional
Saturday	March	5	Class AA Northwest Regional
Thursday	March	10	PIAA Class AA Individual Championships
Friday	April	11	PIAA Class AA Individual Championships
Saturday	May	12	PIAA Class AA Individual Championships

Team Points

1976 1993 1998 2005
2006 2007 2015

**10X State
Champs**

Dual Match

2006 2007 2009

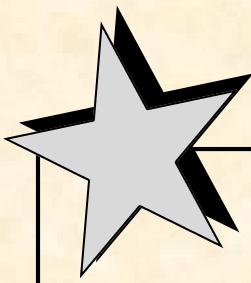
Reynolds High School 100-Win Club

Rank	Name	Wins	Losses	Ties	Career Matches Wrestled	Year Graduated	Win Percentage
1	Mason Beckman	196	12	0	208	2011	94.2%
2	Austin Matthews	184	17	0	201	2013	91.5%
3	Cody Kelly	179	25	0	204	2009	87.8%
4	Matt Dunn	176	11	0	187	2006	94.1%
	Lawrence Beckman	176	27	0	203	2007	86.7%
6	Dylan D'Urso	171	19	0	190	2012	90.0%
7	Aaron Nestor	156	32	0	188	2007	82.9%
8	Justin Nestor	153	11	0	164	2001	93.3%
9	Mason Stewart	147	45	0	192	2006	76.6%
10	Jason Nestor	137	19	0	156	1999	87.8%
	Jason Walter	137	20	0	157	1991	87.3%
	Mark Bodo	137	21	0	158	1993	86.7%
13	Justin Hollobaugh	135	31	0	166	2002	81.3%
14	Mike Bartolo	134	37	0	171	2015	78.4%
15	Steve Popovitch	133	22	0	155	1999	85.8%
	Travis Battles	133	29	0	162	2005	82.1%
	Mike Edwards	133	43	0	176	2006	75.6%
18	Adam Matthews	131	37	0	168	2011	77.9%
19	Jonathan Hazi	130	13	0	143	1994	90.9%
20	Stephen Nestor	129	40	0	169	2007	76.3%
	Will Ringer	129	53	0	182	2009	70.9%
22	Blake Heim	124	37	0	161	2012	77.0%
23	Casey Taylor	123	10	2	135	1995	91.9%
	Mason McCollum	123	58	0	181	2014	67.9%
25	Bob Tumpak	122	29	0	151	1998	80.8%
26	Jason Brown	121	56	0	177	2005	68.4%
27	John Tofani	117	15	1	133	1986	88.3%
	Nick Sommerfeld	117	35	0	152	2004	76.9%
29	Jerry Kendall	115	17	0	132	2001	87.1%
30	Luke Taylor	114	43	0	157	2010	72.6%
31	Gene Ringer*	113	45	0	153	2016	71.3%
32	Corey Brown	112	40	0	152	2008	73.7%
33	Seth Hogue*	109	32	0	141	2016	76.8%
	Mike Miller	109	63	0	172	2008	63.4%
35	Jake Habel	105	32	0	137	2004	76.6%

* indicates active wrestler

Note: Robbie Miller was a combined 139-31 at Reynolds and Grove City

Wrestlers in Blue have a winning percentage of 90% or higher



The *Wrestle* Page

*What have you
been up to?*

All-American



Cole Rickert finished 7th at 220 pounds to earn All-American status at FloNationals in April.

National Champs



Derek Skeehan and Evan Miller won a national schoolboy title.

Top Rookie



Cole Matthews named the Erie Times-News "Rookie of the Year."

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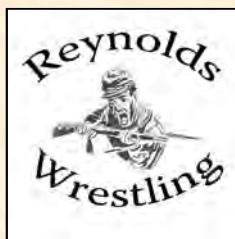
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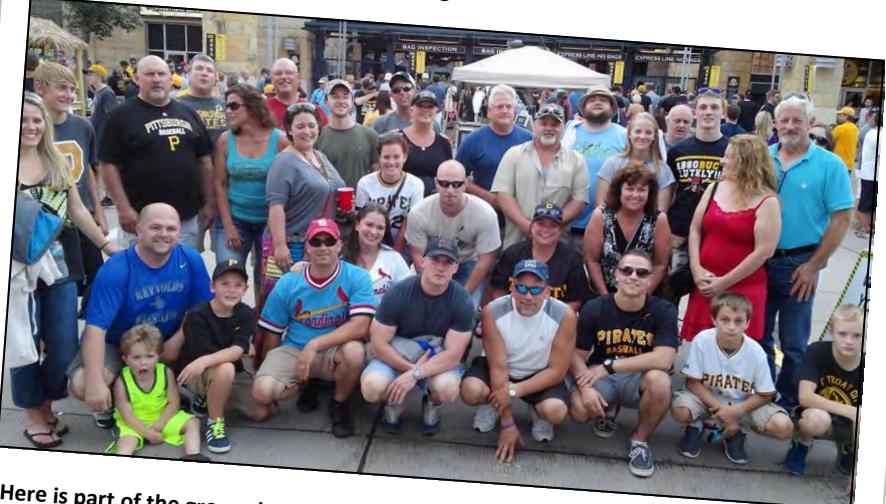
New Question: Reynolds begins the 2015-16 season with an all-time dual-match record of 769-91-2. Who are the ties against?

Previous Question: Who was the first Reynolds wrestler to compete in 200 high school matches?

Answer: Lawrence Beckman was the first Raider to wrestle in 200 matches. Lawrence graduated in 2007 with 203 career matches, including 176 wins.



RWM Night with the Pirates



Here is part of the group that attended the Pittsburgh Pirates vs. St. Louis Cardinals game at PNC Park on Saturday, July 11, 2015. It was the second annual outing and we expect to do another next summer.

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Junior Chaise Hauck

February 2016

(Photo by Connie Sorg)

Raiders Draw Top Seed for D-10 Team Tourney

The Reynolds Raiders have earned the top seed for the 2016 District 10 Class AA Team Championships, to be held Saturday, Feb. 6 at Sharon High School.

The Raiders will meet No. 8 seed Cambridge Springs at 9 a.m. This marks the third straight year that the Raiders and Blue Devils will clash in the opening round.

The other match in the top half of the bracket features No. 5 Franklin vs. No. 4 Saegertown.

The two matches on the bottom half of the bracket will be contested at 11 a.m. and those bouts feature No. 3 Fort LeBoeuf vs. No. 6 Conneaut and No. 2 Greenville vs. No. 7 Harbor

Creek.

Winners of the morning matches advance to the 3 p.m. semifinals and the championship and consolation finals will be held at 5 p.m.

The District 10 champion receives an automatic berth to the PIAA Class AA Team Championships, set for Feb. 11-13 in Hershey. The runner-up and third place finishers will have wrestle-in matches before heading to the PIAAs.

All Reynolds fans are reminded of the Alumni Reunion while the team is in Hershey for the team championships.

The main event is a party at the meeting room at Comfort Inn & Suites in Grantville, Pa on Thursday. (More

information can be found on the back page.) The party will begin at 6 p.m.

You do not have to be an alumni of the program to attend the Thursday night event — only a fan of the program.

If the Comfort Inn fills up and has no vacancy, there are many other hotels in the area to choose from. Find one and stop over at the Comfort Inn Thursday night and find us.

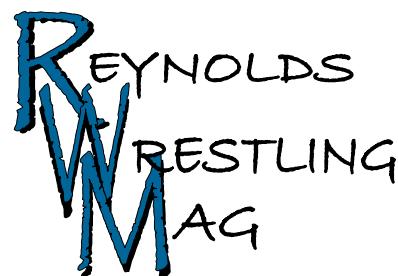
Event organizers Chuck Coryea, Brian Hills and Don Shaffer would love to see you there.

100 wins



(Photo contributed by Vickie Hildebrand)

Coach Casey Taylor (left) celebrates his 100th coaching victory with RHS legends Neal Lineman (201 win coaching wins) and Brian Hills (370 wins) at the 20th annual Brookville Ultimate Duals on Saturday, Jan. 16, 2016.



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Andrew Ischo with a nice win vs. Chestnut Ridge



Beau Bayless stepped up vs. Brookville

Coach Taylor Wins No. 100 at Brookville

By DON SHAFFER
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BROOKVILLE, Pa. — Coach Casey Taylor chalked up his 100th win and his Reynolds Raiders performed very well against five of the top-ranked teams in the state, carding a 4-1 record at the 20th annual Brookville Ultimate Duals on Saturday, Jan. 16.

Reynolds started the day strong by taking care of a very talented Chestnut Ridge team, 47-18.

Chestnut Ridge took second at last year's PIAA Team Championships and came into the match ranked fourth in the state.

Reynolds dominated from the onset as Damion Gearhart (152), Ben Wilcox (160) and Andrew Ischo (113) picked up key victories along the way.

The Raiders took down back-yard rival Greenville for the second time this season in scoring a 47-19 win in round two.

Gene Ringer (285), Gage Bayless (120) and Cole Matthews (126) had falls to spark the Raiders. Ben Wilcox (160) and Hunter Michaels (145) won by forfeit.

Coach Taylor then picked up his 100th win with a 50-16 triumph over D-10 power Saegertown.

Jarod Miller (195), Rocco Bartolo (113) and Wilcox (160) were among Raiders to shine in the win over the Panthers while Cole Rickert (220), Ringer (285), Ryan



Harnett (120), Matthews (126) and Chaise Hauck (132) notched falls.

Next up for the Raiders was a showdown with the top dog out of the WPIAL—Burrell.

Despite Reynolds' big lead early, the Buccaneers battled back to make the final score respectable, at 39-30.

Freshman Rocco Bartolo stepped into the lineup and pitched a 5-0 shutout at 106 pounds, and Ringer (285), Ischo (113) and Matthews (126) had falls. Seth Hogue (138) added a tech fall.

In the final match of a long and grueling day, host Brookville came out firing and scored a pair of early upsets and used that momentum to carry it to a 36-20 win.

Reynolds managed just five wins as Brookville dominated and beat RHS for the third straight time.

In the marque match of the day, Brookville's Taylor Ortz—ranked No. 1 at 132 pounds—topped Raider Cole Matthews—ranked No. 1 at 126 pounds.

Joel Leise (170) had the only pin for RHS while Beau Bayless (106) looked strong in avenging a loss from the PowerAde tournament. Reynolds' other winners were Gage Bayless (120), Hauck (138) and Hogue (145).

Hauck and Hogue both went 5-0 to pace the Raiders at Brookville while Gage Bayless was 4-0. Matthews and Ringer were both 4-1 while Beau Bayless, Wilcox and Ischo were 3-1.



Sophomore Cole Matthews leads the Raiders with 24 wins this season



Junior Joel Leise has 17 pins this season—more than any other Raider



Gene Ringer's career win total (133) ranks him tied for 15th in school history

Season Win Leaders

(Thru end of January)

Cole Matthews	24
Gage Bayless	22
Seth Hogue	21
Joel Leise	21
Gene Ringer	20
Chaise Hauck	20
Beau Bayless	19
Hunter Michaels	13
Andrew Ischo	13
Cole Rickert	12
Ben Wilcox	8
Jarod Miller	8

Season Pin Leaders

(Thru end of January)

Joel Leise	17
Gage Bayless	13
Cole Matthews	13
Gene Ringer	10
Cole Rickert	9
Hunter Michaels	7
Beau Bayless	6

Career Win Leaders

(Thru end of January)

Gene Ringer	133
Seth Hogue	130
Gage Bayless	95
Cole Rickert	79
Chaise Hauck	70
Cole Matthews	67
Joel Leise	56
Ryan Harnett	23

Steve Popovitch's ALUMNI NEWS

Matthews Back in Edinboro Lineup; Heim Calls it a Career

As the calendar flipped to January, the dual meet portion of the college wrestling schedule got into full swing. The following is a rundown of how the Raider alumni fared in the most recent month.

Edinboro's **Austin Matthews ('13)**, out since November 2014 with a knee injury, made his much anticipated return to the line-up when the Scots hosted George Mason. Matthews was in control from the start picking up a 6-1 decision over a quality opponent in Greg Flournoy and the Fighting Scots won, 31-7. Austin then dropped a very exciting decision, in a match that saw the lead change hands several times, to No. 20 ranked Chad Walsh of Rider. Edinboro snuck by for an 18-15 win in the dual. Edinboro returns to action Feb. 4 at Lock Haven.

As announced on the Reynolds Wrestling Mag Facebook page earlier in January, we are saddened that injury has forced Thiel College heavyweight **Blake Heim ('12)** to call it a career. Blake looks forward to coaching next season—possibly on Thiel's staff.

Mason Beckman ('11) picked up a 5-3 win as Lehigh pounded Navy, 34-3. Mason then lost a tough 4-3 decision to Caleb Richardson of Penn as the Mountain Hawks defeated the Quakers, 27-10. Mason did not compete in Lehigh's 40-6 win over Franklin and Marshall. Instead, he traveled to Millersville to get some work in and went 4-0 to win the Shorty Hitchcock Memorial Open. He dominated the competition there picking up a fall, two technical falls and a 6-1 decision in the finals over American's Joshua Terao.

Mason then received a forfeit victory against Cornell when Lehigh downed the No. 15 Big Red, 25-13. Mason had anticipated wrestling top-ranked Nahshon Garrett, but Garrett was unable to compete due to injury. Lehigh's undefeated month has catapulted them to sixth in the latest national rankings. They next host American University on Feb. 6.

Mike Bartolo ('15) returned to action in January after missing several matches due to injury. He wrestled up a weight (141) against Ohio University and fell by major decision as Clarion lost the dual. A new injury has kept him out of the line up since. Clarion next wrestles at the Edinboro Open on Feb. 6.

Waynesburg started the second semester at the Bud Whitehall Duals in Lycoming. The Yellow Jackets went 3-2 and finished seventh. Their freshman 174-pounder **Mike**



Austin Matthews made his much anticipate return to the Edinboro lineup on Jan. 16 against George Mason.

Millero ('15), went 2-3, with two of his losses coming in overtime. His win against Millikin was impressive, as he bumped up two weight classes to 197 and won a 6-3 decision to clinch the match for his squad.

Millero then dropped a tight 5-2 match to No. 8 ranked Sonnieboy Blanco as Washington & Jefferson squeaked by Waynesburg, 22-21. Mike then dropped a decision when Waynesburg fell to Thiel. The Yellow Jackets return to the mat Feb. 6 when they travel to Baldwin-Wallace for the John Summa Memorial Tournament.

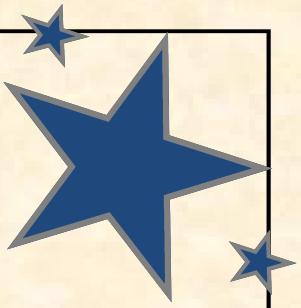
Mercyhurst swept a pair of duals as **Jamar Henry ('13)** went 1-1 (losing to the eighth ranked 197 pounder), and **Dylan D'Urso ('12)** picked up a technical fall and 18-4 major decision. Dylan, who is ranked No. 3 in the country at 141 pounds, has been out with an injury since.

Henry went 1-2, as did the No. 4 ranked Lakers, who were far less than 100 percent at the National Duals. Henry's losses came to the No. 4 and No. 5 ranked wrestlers in the country.

Mercyhurst has rebounded from the National Duals losses to win four straight duals. Jamar went 1-3 in those matches with his win being a major decision against East Stroudsburg.

Teammate **Mason McCollum ('14)** went 1-2 at the Purple Raider Open at 157. Mercyhurst will host Gannon on Feb. 3.

Junior High Update



(Photos by ACW Productions)



Coach Mark Higbee



Allyson & Samantha

Raiders Notch a Pair of Runner-Up Finishes

The Reynolds Junior High team - without the assistance of any ninth graders - is putting together a very successful season. Even though they are light in numbers, it has not stopped the team from getting the job done.

"We took second place as a team at the Fort LeBoeuf tournament out of 19 teams, and we also placed second at the Northwestern Tournament out of 24 teams," reported junior high head coach Mark Higbee.

In dual matches, the team is currently 7-6; but four of those losses were at the Latrobe Duals where the team was facing some high-level competition.

In addition to Higbee, other members of the Junior High coaching staff are Bill Foore, Chris Walter and Levi Stoyer.

Junior High Individual Records

75-Cole Bayless, 8th grade, 13-1, 11 falls.

85-Liam Foore, 7th grade, 13-3, 4 falls.

90-Kaeden Berger, 7th grade, 16-3, 9

falls.

95-Dreyvin Livingston, 7th grade, 11-6, 3 falls.

100-Adam Wilcox, 8th grade, 19-1, 11 falls.

105-Lee Walter, 8th grade, 2-13, 2 falls.

110-Dominic Bertolasio, 8th grade, 1-16.

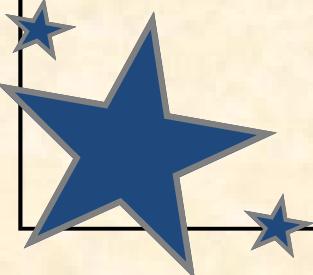
122-Alex Ischo, 7th grade, 14-7, 6 falls.

138-Jordan DeCarmen, 7th grade, 15-2, 7 falls.

145-Cole Toy, 7th grade, 15-3, 9 falls.

155-Bryce McCloskey, 8th grade, 17-2, 11 falls.

165-Rocco John-Daniello, 7th grade, 13-7, 8 falls.



District 10 Wrestling Rankings (1/31/2016)

By Dan Albaugh

106:

- 1) **Beau Bayless, Reynolds (fr.)**
- 2) Aaron Gelvin, Greenville (soph.)
- 3) Jules Hicklin, Sharon (jr.)
- 4) Isaac Crowell, Fort LeBoeuf (soph.)
- 5) Johnny Wheeler, Northwestern (fr.)
- 6) Cory Bable, Grove City (jr.)

113:

- 1) Abe Guarriello, Fort LeBoeuf (sr.)
- 2) Nick Oosterkamp, Harbor Creek (soph.)
- 3) Kenyon Andrews, Maplewood (jr.)
- 4) **Andrew Ischo, Reynolds (fr.)**
- 5) Josh Farmer, Seneca (soph.)
- 6) Logan Munsee, Corry (jr.)

120:

- 1) Charlie Lenox, Fort LeBoeuf (sr.)
- 2) **Gage Bayless, Reynolds (jr.)**
- 3) Sam Sallot, Harbor Creek (soph.)
- 4) Tye Varndell, Cambridge Springs (fr.)
- 5) Zac King, Mercer (soph.)
- 6) Dominic Vadala, Hickory (jr.)

126:

- 1) **Cole Matthews, Reynolds (soph.)**
- 2) Faris Messai, Jamestown (sr.)
- 3) Caiden Mooney, Northwestern (fr.)
- 4) Mason Karpinski, Greenville (fr.)
- 5) Zach Walker, Cambridge Springs (jr.)
- 6) Aaron Henriquez, Slippery Rock (jr.)

132:

- 1) **Seth Hogue, Reynolds (sr.)**
- 2) Dustin Weilacher, Union City (sr.)
- 3) Joey Perry, Corry (soph.)
- 4) Jarrett Ruhl, Saegertown (jr.)
- 5) Alek Smith, Harbor Creek (sr.)
- 6) Josh Filutze, Fort LeBoeuf (sr.)

138:

- 1) Jarret Carter, Fort LeBoeuf (sr.)
- 2) Jude Mattocks, Saegertown (jr.)
- 3) **Chaise Hauck, Reynolds (jr.)**
- 4) Michael Lineman, Greenville (jr.)
- 5) Dalton Meals, Grove City (sr.)
- 6) Justin Kita, Harbor Creek (sr.)

145:

- 1) Chris Hibbler, Seneca (sr.)
- 2) John Mott, Commodore Perry (jr.)
- 3) Dreux Harper, Franklin (sr.)
- 4) Brady Gentile, Greenville (fr.)
- 5) **Hunter Michaels, Reynolds (soph.)**
- 6) Daniel Simmerman, Saegertown (sr.)

152:

- 1) Nick Monico, Saegertown (sr.)
- 2) Isaac Bengel, Fort LeBoeuf (sr.)
- 3) Adam Fish, Seneca (sr.)
- 4) John Sims, Hickory (sr.)
- 5) Josh Christner, Greenville (soph.)
- 6) Nick Enos, Sharpsville (jr.)

160:

- 1) Louie Head, Eisenhower (sr.)
- 2) Nick McClimans, Sharon (jr.)
- 3) Tyler Burlew, Corry (soph.)
- 4) Tyler Carey, Franklin (sr.)
- 5) Dalton Hilliard, Slippery Rock (sr.)
- 6) Joe Galvin, Iroquois (soph.)

170:

- 1) Cody Mulligan, Saegertown (soph.)
- 2) Gavin Wilkerson, Greenville (jr.)
- 3) **Joel Leise, Reynolds (jr.)**
- 4) Julian Gorring, Fort LeBoeuf (fr.)
- 5) Tyler Emerick, Franklin (sr.)
- 6) Rodger Bone, Conneaut Area (jr.)

182:

- 1) Dakota Geer, Franklin (sr.)
- 2) Blake Reynolds, Greenville (jr.)
- 3) Hunter Cox, Cambridge Springs (sr.)
- 4) Dan Kuhn, Harbor Creek (sr.)
- 5) Tyler Brooks, Saegertown (jr.)
- 6) Drew Rose, Fort LeBoeuf (sr.)

195:

- 1) Deven Simpson, Cambridge Springs (sr.)
- 2) Chris Mueller, Sharpsville (sr.)
- 3) Braden Morris, Conneaut Area (sr.)
- 4) Lane Reinwald, Fort LeBoeuf (jr.)
- 5) **Jarod Miller, Reynolds (soph.)**
- 6) Zach Stafford, Saegertown (sr.)

220:

- 1) Gage Gladysz, Greenville (sr.)
- 2) Zach Stafford, Cambridge Springs (sr.)
- 3) Bryce Laughlin, Sharon (sr.)
- 4) **Cole Rickert, Reynolds (jr.)**
- 5) Tory Pusateri, Seneca (sr.)
- 6) Shane Slater, Slippery Rock (sr.)

285:

- 1) **Gene Ringer, Reynolds (sr.)**
- 2) Jacob Hanson, Northwestern (sr.)
- 3) Jeffrey Kraemer, North East (jr.)
- 4) Jared Miely, Hickory (sr.)
- 5) Nick Lallemand, Franklin (sr.)
- 6) Bobby Gregory, Mercer (soph.)

DUAL MEET TEAMS:

- 1) **Reynolds (Casey Taylor)**
- 2) Fort LeBoeuf (Tim Simon)
- 3) Greenville (John Reynolds)
- 4) Saegertown (Jim Mulligan)
- 5) Harbor Creek (Derek Chew)
- 6) Franklin (Kevin Hesson)

RHS

ALL-TIME DUAL MATCH RECORD

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Raiders Claim 19th Straight Conference Title

Reynolds wrapped up its 19th consecutive conference championship with a 53-12 win over host Franklin on Wednesday, Jan. 27.

"I was impressed with every one of our guys, the losses included. The kids came to wrestle and are showing us that they are ready for the postseason," said Coach Casey Taylor.

Sophomores Hunter Michaels (138) and Jarod Miller (195) had the only pins for RHS and freshman Beau Bayless (106) added a tech fall. Four other Raiders collected wins via forfeit.

Freshman Derek Skeehan (182) had the most impressive win of the night, knocking off Franklin's Ty Emerick, who came into the match with a record of 15-4.

There were other competitive matches, as well. Raider Seth Hogue bumped up to 152 pounds and scored a 5-3 win over Dreux Harper, while Matthew Gosser (145) worked to a 3-0 win over Zack Scharrer.

Ben Wilcox wrestled tough in a 6-2 loss to Ty Carey (160) and Cole Rickert battled hard in a 9-4 loss to nationally-ranked Dakota Geer at 220.

The Raiders closed the regular season at 16-2 overall and 9-0 in District 10 Region I action.

"I'm proud of them for winning another region title," Taylor said. "And now, it's time to focus on the six most important weeks of the season."

Reynolds 57, Sharon 15

Freshman Beau Bayless (106) had the most impressive of Reynolds' six falls, as he built an 8-0 advantage over returning state qualifier Jules Hicklin before getting the stick in the third

period.

Andrew Ischo (113), Gage Bayless (120), Chaise Hauck (132), Joel Leise (170) and Gene Ringer (285) also scored falls for RHS (15-2, 8-0).

Seth Hogue (145) added a tech fall and Tylior Shannon (126) and Jarod Miller (195) accepted forfeits. It was the first-ever varsity win for Shannon.

There were several very competitive bouts as Sharon's Giovanni Volpe topped Matthew Gosser 4-0 at 152, and unbeaten Nick McClimans had a 7-3 win over Raider Ben Wilcox at 160. At 182 pounds, a late takedown by Jordan Wilson gave him a 10-8 edge over Raider freshman Derek Skeehan.

"Gosser, Ben and Derek wrestled great in losing efforts. Wow, they wrestled hard," said coach Casey Taylor, who also pointed out the exceptional efforts of (Beau) Bayless, Ischo and Michaels. "Overall, the team looked great," Taylor said.

Raider state champ Cole Matthews (126) missed the match with illness and Damion Gearhart (152) with injury.

Reynolds 71, Mercer 0

Senior Night 2016 was a memorable occasion as Reynolds scored a shutout over visiting Mercer on Wednesday, Jan. 13.

Despite the lopsided score, there were several competitive bouts. At 152, Matthew Gosser battled his way to a 6-5 win over Eric Gawne while Gene Ringer (285) scored two late points to complete a 6-3 win over Bobby Gregory. Chaise Hauck (132) fought off a strong effort from Chris Micsky in a 5-1 win.

Scoring falls for RHS (10-1, 7-0) were Hunter Michaels (145), Ben Wilcox (160), Joel Leise (170), Jarod Miller (195), Beau Bayless (106) and Andrew Ischo (113).

Gage Bayless (120) and Seth Hogue (138) scored major decisions while Derek Skeehan (182), Cole Rickert (220) and Cole Matthews (120) won by forfeit.

Reynolds 61, Sharpsville 6

The Raiders looked sharp in their first competition of 2016 — winning 12 of 14 bouts in a conquest of Sharpsville on Wednesday, Jan. 6.

"The kids wrestled like they were refreshed and ready to go," said Taylor. "As a team they showed good energy and their conditioning looks to be right on track."

Gage Bayless (120), Cole Matthews (126), Ben Wilcox (160), Joel Leise (170), Gene Ringer (285) and Andrew Ischo (113) all had pins for RHS.

Hunter Michaels (138) added bonus points with a major decision while Andrew Herman (170) and Beau Bayless (106) received forfeits.

In one of the most competitive bouts of the night, junior Chaise Hauck (138) nailed a pair of takedowns to knock off previously-unbeaten Brock Salvatore.

Raider sophomore Jarod Miller (195) wrestled well and seemed to gain confidence as the match went on, dropping a 7-1 decision to Chris Mueller - the top-ranked wrestler in District 10. Damion Gearhart also wrestled tough in dropping a decision to unbeaten Nick Enos at 152 pounds.

January Boxscores

Jan. 6, 2016

Reynolds 61, Sharpsville 6

120-Gage Bayless (R) pinned Lucas Keck, 1:08.
 126-Cole Matthews (R) pinned Andy Ryan, 3:32.
 132-Chaise Hauck (R) dec. Brock Salvatore, 4-1.
 138-Hunter Michaels (R) major dec. Ryan Whalen, 10-2.
 145-Seth Hogue (R) dec. Cameron Preeble, 7-4.
 152-Nick Enos (S) dec. Damion Gearhart, 7-1.
 160-Ben Wilcox (R) pinned Maison Millero, 2:58.
 170-Andrew Herman (R) won by forfeit.
 182-Joel Leise (R) pinned Donny Keck, 0:57.
 195-Chris Mueller (S) dec. Jarod Miller, 7-1.
 220-Cole Rickert (R) dec. Mitchell Swartz, 9-4.
 285-Gene Ringer (R) pinned Tristan Stoner, 0:49.
 106-Beau Bayless (R) won by forfeit.
 113-Andrew Ischo (R) pinned Ben Henwood, 1:36.

JV-Reynolds 24, Sharpsville 0
 JH-Reynolds 24, Sharpsville 3

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Jan. 13, 2016

Reynolds 71, Mercer 0

145-Hunter Michaels (R) pinned Austin Hessel-desser, 1:26.
 152-Matthew Gosser (R) dec. Eric Gawne, 6-5.
 160-Ben Wilcox (R) pinned Josh Robertson, 1:32.
 170-Joel Leise (R) pinned Nate Hinkson, 0:58.
 182-Derek Skeehan (R) won by forfeit.
 195-Jarod Miller (R) pinned Garrett Shremke, 1:49.
 220-Cole Rickert (R) won by forfeit.
 285-Gene Ringer (R) dec. Bobby Gregory, 6-3.
 106-Beau Bayless (R) pinned Noah McLaughlin, 3:31.
 113-Andrew Ischo (R) pinned Brad Filer, 3:14.
 120-Gage Bayless (R) major dec. Zac King, 11-3.
 126-Cole Matthews (R) won by forfeit.
 132-Chaise Hauck (R) dec. Chris Micsky, 5-1.
 138-Seth Hogue (R) major dec. Will Chess, 10-2.

JV- no match

JH- Mercer 15, Reynolds 12

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Jan. 16, 2016

Brookville Ultimate Duals

Reynolds 47, Chestnut Ridge 18
 106-Aaron Burkett (CR) dec. Beau Bayless, 6-5.
 113-Andrew Ischo (R) dec. Dylan Williams, 5-4.
 120-Gage Bayless (R) pinned Seth Harbaugh, 0:59.
 126-Cole Matthews (R) pinned Jarod Pfaunmiller, 1:36.
 132-Chaise Hauck (R) major dec. Scott Miller, 15-4.
 138-Justin McCoy (CR) pinned Alec Reiter, 5:08.
 145-Seth Hogue (R) major dec. Levi Hobson, 10-1.
 152-Morgan Deremer (CR) dec. Matthew Gosser, 16-0, 2:33.
 160-Damion Gearhart (R) dec. Josh McGill, 8-4.
 170-Ben Wilcox (R) pinned Logan Melius, 2:36.
 182-Joel Leise (R) pinned Austin Crouse, 0:22.
 195-Connor Buttry (CR) major dec. Derek Skeehan, 14-3.
 220-Cole Rickert (R) pinned Joel Evans, 2:23.
 285-Gene Ringer (R) dec. Landon Kensinger, 5-0.

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Reynolds 47, Greenville 19

152-Josuha Christner (G) pinned Damion Gearhart, 4:37.
 160-Ben Wilcox (R) won by forfeit.
 170-Gavin Wilkerson (G) pinned Andrew Herman, 1:30.
 182-Joel Leise (R) major dec. Brenden Calvin, 12-3.
 195-Blake Reynolds (G) major dec. Jarod Miller, 11-0.
 220-Gage Gladysz (G) dec. Cole Rickert, 2-1.
 285-Gene Ringer (R) pinned Mason Horne, 5:09.
 106-Beau Bayless (R) dec. Aaron Gelvin, 4-2, SV1.
 113-Andrew Ischo (R) dec. Bryce Knauf, 8-2.
 120-Gage Bayless (R) pinned Brayden Knauf, 0:57.
 126-Cole Matthews (R) pinned Mason Karpinski, 2:48.
 132-Chaise Hauck (R) major dec. Mason Wilkerson, 13-0.
 138-Seth Hogue (R) dec. Michael Lineman, 5-2.
 145-Hunter Michaels (R) won by forfeit.

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Reynolds 50, Saegertown 16

170-Cody Mulligan (S) major dec. Joel Leise, 10-1.
 182-Brent Elizon (S) dec. Derek Skeehan, 10-6.
 195-Jarod Miller (R) dec. Zach Stafford, 3-2.
 220-Cole Rickert (R) pinned Marc Kightlinger, 0:35.
 285-Gene Ringer (R) pinned Drake Hazlett, 0:59.
 106-Beau Bayless (R) won by forfeit.
 113-Rocco Bartolo (R) major dec. Colton Beck, 13-2.
 120-Ryan Harnett (R) pinned Dawson Bartholomew, 1:02.
 126-Cole Matthews (R) pinned Tylor Luikart, 1:27.
 132-Chaise Hauck (R) pinned Zachary Nishnick, 3:10.
 138-Jude Mattocks (S) dec. Hunter Michaels, 9-3.
 145-Seth Hogue (R) major dec. Daniel Simmerman, 12-3.
 152-Nick Monico (S) pinned Hunter Thompson, 1:49.
 160-Ben Wilcox (R) dec. Zachary Posego, 5-0.

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Reynolds 39, Burrell 30

182- Nico Barone (B) dec. Derek Skeehan, 13-8.
 195-Robert Scherer (B) pinned Jarod Miller, 2:30.
 220-Alex Moses (B) dec. Cole Rickert, 3-2.
 285-Gene Ringer (R) pinned Philip Couth, 0:38.
 106-Rocco Bartolo (R) dec. Bryan Gaul, 5-0.
 113-Andrew Ischo (R) pinned Evan Noll, 0:22.
 120-Gage Bayless (R) dec. Trent Bechtold, 9-3.
 126-Cole Matthews (R) pinned Ethan Awes, 4:30.
 132-Chaise Hauck (R) won by forfeit.
 138-Seth Hogue (R) tech fall Dylan Jeffrey, 17-0.
 145-Hunter Michaels (R) major dec. Dean Edwards, 10-0.
 152-Damon Greenwald (B) pinned Ryan Park, 2:32.
 160-Shaun Gates (B) pinned Damion Gearhart, 5:32.
 170-Anthony Marra (B) pinned Joel Leise, 5:37.

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Brookville 36, Reynolds 20

220-Tyler Cook (B) dec. Cole Rickert, 5-2 UTB.
 285-Byrce Town (B) pinned Gene Ringer, 2:48.

106-Beau Bayless (R) dec. Keelan Kunselman, 2-1.

113-Cabe Park (B) dec. Andrew Ischo, 8-7.

120-Gage Bayless (R) dec. Kai Sorbin, 7-3.

126-Dontae Constable (B) dec. Ryan Harnett, 2-1.

132-Taylor Ortz (B) major dec. Cole Matthews, 10-2.

138-Chaise Hauck (R) major dec. Zak Gilbert, 16-4.

145-Seth Hogue (R) major dec. Cole Aaron, 9-0.

152-Caleb Hetrick (B) pinned Damion Gearhart, 3:05.

160-Dominic Palmer (B) dec. Ben Wilcox, 6-5.

170-Joel Leise (R) pinned Xavier Molnar, 0:31.

182-Noah Cieleski (B) tech fall Derek Skeehan, 16-0, 5:12.

195-Dane Clever (B) dec. Jarod Miller, 7-1.

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Jan. 20, 2016

Reynolds 57, Sharon 15

285-Gene Ringer (R) pinned Charles Crowder, 0:58.

106-Beau Bayless (R) pinned Jules Hicklin, 5:24.

113-Andrew Ischo (R) pinned Luke Gaston, 1:05.

120-Gage Bayless (R) pinned Keith Huff, 0:31.

126-Tyler Shannon (R) won by forfeit.

132-Chaise Hauck (R) pinned DeAndre Young, 2:20.

138-Hunter Michaels (R) dec. Jordan Templeton, 11-6.

145-Seth Hogue (R) tech fall Tim Thompson, 17-2, 4:00.

152-Giovanni Volpe (S) dec. Matthew Gosser, 4-0.

160-Nick McClimans (S) dec. Ben Wilcox, 7-3.

170-Joel Leise (R) pinned Antonio Chavers, 0:30.

182-Jordan Wilson (S) dec. Derek Skeehan, 10-8.

195-Jarod Miller (R) won by forfeit.

220-Bryce Laughlin (S) pinned Cole Rickert, 0:34.

One team point added to Reynolds score after 106 match.

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Jan. 27, 2016

Reynolds 53, Franklin 12

220-Dakota Geer (F) dec. Cole Rickert, 9-4.

285-Gene Ringer (R) dec. Nicholas Lallemand, 3-0.

106-Beau Bayless (R) tech fall Matthew Vincent, 15-0, 3:09.

113-Gage Shoemaker (F) pinned Rocco Bartolo, 0:41.

120-Gage Bayless (R) won by forfeit.

126-Cole Matthews (R) won by forfeit.

132-Chaise Hauck (R) won by forfeit.

138-Hunter Michaels (R) pinned Vinnie Greco, 0:58.

145-Matthew Gosser (R) dec. Zack Scharrer, 3-0.

152-Seth Hogue (R) dec. Dreux Harper, 5-3.

160-Tyler Carey (F) dec. Ben Wilcox, 6-2.

170-Joel Leise (R) won by forfeit.

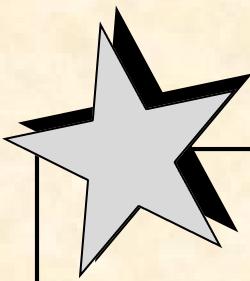
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195-Jarod Miller (R) pinned Ethan Sander, 5:08.

JV-Reynolds 6, Franklin 0

JH-Reynolds 12, Franklin 9





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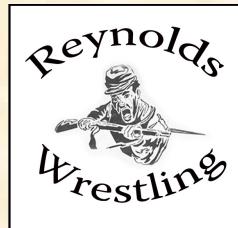
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New Question: What year did Reynolds win its first team state championship?

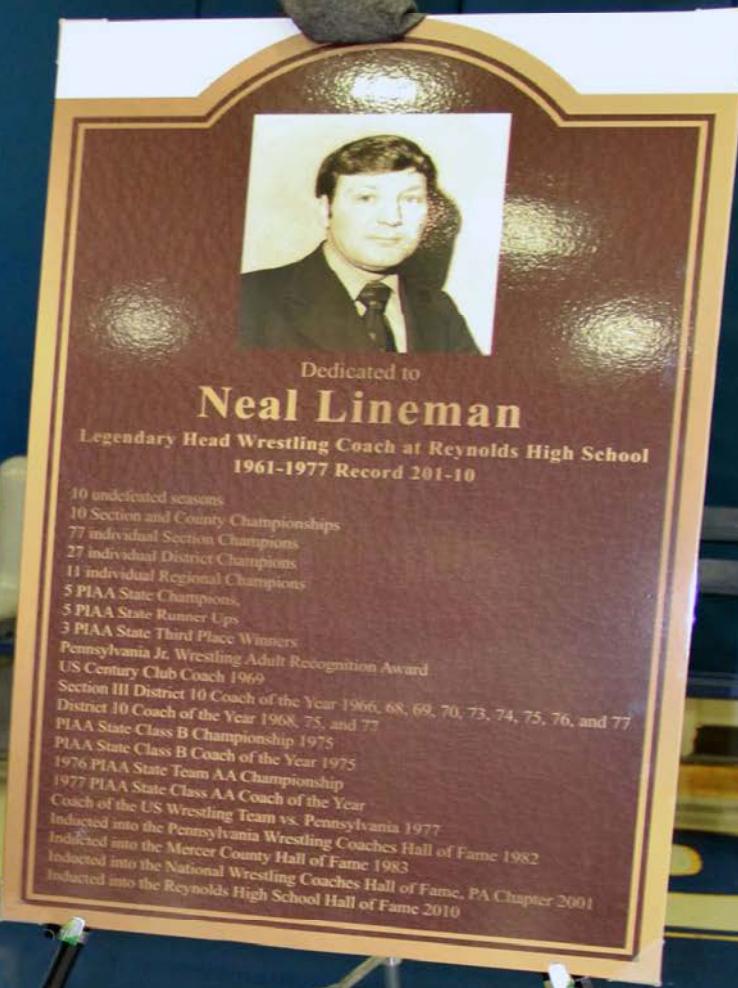
Previous Question: Who was the first Reynolds wrestler to reach the state finals?

Answer: The first Raider to reach the state finals was Jim Gollner (1966). Gollner finished second, but came back to win a state title as a senior in 1967.



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Coach Lineman Honored



(RWM photo by Connie Sorg)

January 2017

Lineman Honored; 800th Win in Sight

Neal Lineman, the man who designed and built the Reynolds Wrestling program from the ground up, was honored on Tuesday, Dec. 20, 2016.

For 16 seasons, from 1961 through 1977, Coach Lineman led the Raiders on a remarkable run in which his teams lost just 10 dual matches. He coached 5 PIAA champions and led the Raiders to the first-ever PIAA team championship in 1976. Twice he was named the Pennsylvania Coach of the Year.

Coach Lineman was honored with a bronze plaque that will be permanently placed outside of the gymnasium — a beautiful tribute to the man who set this program on a path to greatness.

School officials tell me the plaque is expected to be installed prior to the team's home match on Jan. 11, 2017.

800 WINS — Seems like every time we turn around there is something to celebrate within the program. Either that, or we just like to party.

Next up is the school's 800th dual match win which could come as early as Wednesday, Jan. 11 vs. Sharpsville.

Now in its 57th season, Reynolds Wrestling closed December with a 797-94-2 all-time record — a winning percentage of 89.3.

NATIONAL RANKING—The Raiders' strong performance at the Ironman Tournament fueled the team's appearance in the Intermat National High School Team Rankings where RHS shows up at No. 28.

Cole Matthews, who finished second at Ironman for the second straight season, and later won the POWERADE

Tournament, moved all the way up to No. 6 in the 138 pound individual rankings.



JV ALERT— I'm old enough to remember a time when being a junior varsity wrestler at Reynolds was still a pretty big deal. Now, it's no longer a glamorous life.

It's not because the wrestlers are not talented — because they certainly are — it's because they get little chance to exhibit those skills.

Case in point: In Reynolds' three December Region I matches, there was just one jayvee match.

The lack of junior varsity action is hurting our program and our sport. Like the minor leagues in baseball this is a place where young wrestlers can define and hone their skills.

I'm not saying the lack of junior varsity competition is the only reason the roster is little thinner these days, but practicing with little chance to compete would be challenging.

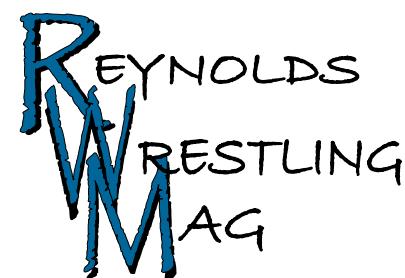
In the current system, elementary and junior high wrestlers see more competition than our jayvee wrestlers do.

I do not believe this is sustainable and it will have a direct impact on how quickly our wrestlers develop. There is no substitute for stepping on a mat and competing. You cannot get that kind of

experience in the practice room.

"We are actively looking for opportunities for our junior varsity wrestlers," said Coach Taylor who understands that the lack of competition is a serious issue.

Fortunately, the Canfield Duals and POWERADE JV Tournament were a big shot in the arm for our second team wrestlers. But finding similar events is challenging because they just aren't out there.



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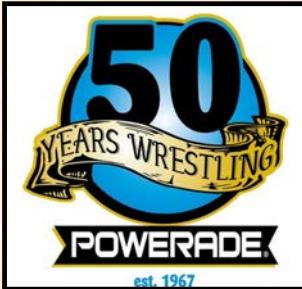
Annese Bayless



Neal Lineman Night

December 20, 2017





Matthews 1st Raider to Win PowerAde Title

CANONSBURG, Pa.—Cole Matthews became Reynolds' first PowerAde Tournament champion Friday Dec. 30th, scoring a thrilling 5-4 win in the ultimate tiebreaker period.

As a team, Reynolds finished fifth and Cole was one of three place-winners as senior Gavin Wilkerson finished fourth at 170 pounds and sophomore Beau Bayless was sixth at 113.

Gage Bayless (126), Hunter Michaels (132) and Joel Leise (182) all advanced to Day Two but came up one win short of a place in the Top 8.

"We were fifth place last year, too, but this one feels a little different, a little bit better because we were in the team race all weekend," said

Coach Casey Taylor.

Cole finished second at the 2015 PowerAde but would not be denied this time around. In the semifinals Cole recorded the 100th win of his high school career.

Meanwhile, Gavin continues to do nothing but impress. He nearly stuck his semifinal opponent in the first period but didn't get the fall call and ended up placing fourth.

Gavin and Cole are the only two Raiders to place at both the Ironman and PowerAde this year. Cole and Gene Ringer did it last year.

Beau lost two heart-breakers on Friday—one in the last few seconds and one in overtime—and finished sixth.



PowerAde champion Cole Matthews



PowerAde place-winners Cole Matthews, Gavin Wilkerson and Beau Bayless

POWERAde

Team Standings

1. Wyoming Seminary, 161
2. Kiski Area, 129
3. Lockport, IL, 128
4. Bound Brook, NJ, 113.5
5. **Reynolds, 111**

OW—Sam Hillegas, North Hills

Most Falls—Spencer Lee, Franklin Regional



Trio of Raiders Earn Honors

Matthews Earns His Second Ironman Medal

By DON SHAFFER
RWM Editor

CUYAHOGA FALLS, OH — Junior Cole Matthews earned his second Ironman medal and seniors Joel Leise and Gavin Wilkerson their first as the Reynolds Raiders opened the 2016-17 season at the Walsh Jesuit Ironman Tournament Dec. 9-10.

Matthews, the No. 1 seed at 138 pounds, worked his way to the championship finals for a second straight season. He wrestled well, finishing as the runner-up, dropping a thrilling 7-5 sudden-victory decision.

Leise had a very productive weekend, posting a 4-2 record with a pair of falls while finishing seventh at 182 pounds.

Wilkerson, making his Reynolds debut, rolled to a 3-3 record while finishing 8th at 170 pounds.



Sophomore Derek Skeehan, wrestling in place of the injured Cole Rickert, also performed very well and survived until day two of the event. He finished with a 2-2 record.

“This is a tough, tough tournament,” said coach Casey Taylor. “Anyone who has been here or who has followed it online knows that when you come over here you gotta have your headgear strapped on pretty tight.”

“The kids did exactly what we

wanted, they competed in all facets and most importantly never gave up ... they showed a lot of fight,” Taylor said.

Reynolds’ other competitors were: Adam Wilcox (106 pounds, 1-2 record), Beau Bayless (113, 1-2), Andrew Ischo (120, 1-2), Gage Bayless (126, 0-2), Hunter Michaels (132, 0-2), Chaise Hauck (145, 0-2), Matthew Gosser (152, 0-2), Ben Wilcox (160, 0-2), Jarod Miller (195, 0-2) and Wyatt Owen (220, 0-2).

Wilcox scored a fall to pick up his first-ever varsity win.

As a team, the Raiders finished 16th in the team standings with 58 points. Blair Academy won the tournament with 196 points, St. Ed’s was second at 127.5.



Freshman Bryce McCloskey scores a pin for his first high school win

Season Win Leaders

Cole Matthews	14
Joel Leise	12
Gavin Wilkerson	12
Beau Bayless	9
Derek Skeehan	8
Andrew Ischo	8
Gage Bayless	7
Chaise Hauck	7
Adam Wilcox	7
Hunter Michaels	6

Raiders Top Eagles in Opener

GROVE CITY -- Reynolds won 13 of 14 individual bouts and rolled to a 72-3 win over Grove City Thursday night in District 10 Region I action at GCHS.

Freshman Bryce McCloskey (182) picked up his first varsity win and was one of seven Raiders to score falls -- six of them in the first period.

Picking up his first career RHS win was sophomore Wyatt Owen (220). He was one of three Raiders to win by forfeit.

The most competitive bout of the night came at 152 where Tyler Greer made a first-period takedown stand up in a 2-1 win

over Raider Matthew Gosser. Trailing by one, Gosser rode Greer the entire third period but couldn't get a turn.

At 160, the first period ended scoreless but Ben Wilcox got things rolling with a six-point second period en route to an 8-0 major decision.

Gage Bayless looked very sharp at 126 with a 15-2 win over Cory Bable, one of Grove City's top wrestlers.

Reynolds (1-0, 1-0) will be back in action on Saturday, wrestling three matches at the Canfield Holiday Duals. Grove City is now 3-3, 0-1.

7 Falls, 7 Forfeits in Blanking of Big Reds

The Raiders made short work of the visiting Big Reds in an 84-0 match that featured seven falls and seven forfeits.

Joel Leise (182), Derek

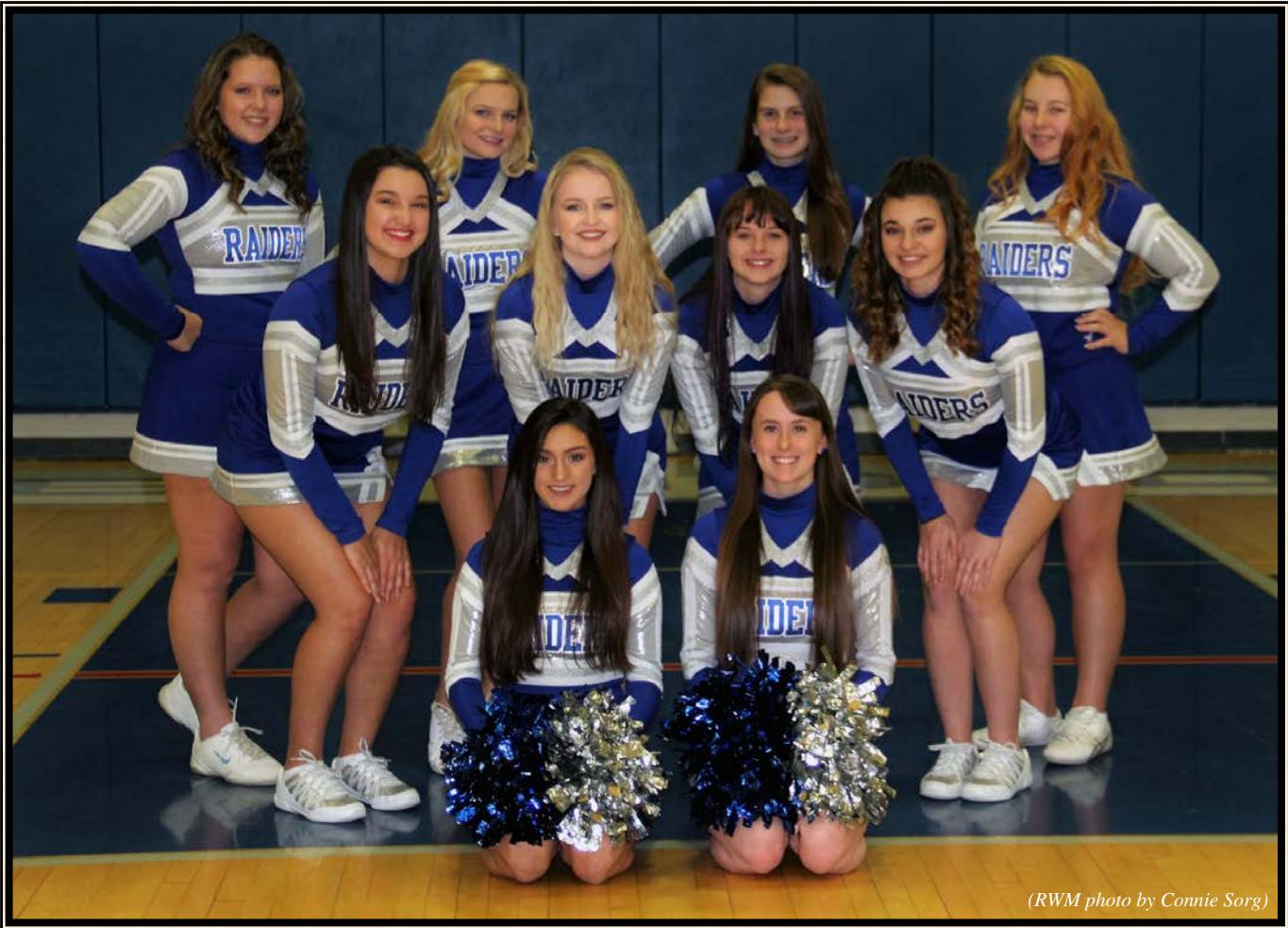
Skeehan (285), Adam Wilcox (106), Andrew Ischo (120), Cole Matthews (138), Hunter Thompson (152) and Gavin Wilkerson (170) had the pins for Reynolds, which improved to 4-0, 2-0.

Season Pin Leaders

Joel Leise	8
Gavin Wilkerson	6
Cole Matthews	6
Gage Bayless	4
Derek Skeehan	4
Adam Wilcox	4
Beau Bayless	3
Hunter Thompson	3
Hunter Michaels	3

Career Win Leaders

Gage Bayless	113
Cole Matthews	101
Cole Rickert	97
Chaise Hauck	93
Joel Leise	85
Beau Bayless	47
Hunter Michaels	33
Andrew Ischo	32



(RWM photo by Connie Sorg)

Reynolds varsity cheerleaders for 2016-17 include (front, l-r) Mikala Bartolo and Casidee Millero. Also (middle, l-r) Alexis Bucher, Brianna Hennigh, Rebecca Brocious and Katie Bateman. And (back, l-r) Savanna Riffe, Arielle Dietz, Rebekah Leise and Kami Nevin.

December ends with 797 All-Time Wins

HERMITAGE— Reynolds won 13 of 14 individual matches in rolling to a 67-3 win over host Hickory in District 10 Region I action on Dec. 22.

The win moved Reynolds to 5-0, 3-0 in the region.

Reynolds opened the match with five straight falls to open a 30-0 advantage.

There were several competitive bouts including 113, 120, 152 and 160.

There were no junior varsity or junior high matches.



Senior Chaise Hauck scores six against Hickory

Steve Popovitch's ALUMNI NEWS



With the first half of the college wrestling season now in the books, here is a recap of how several former Reynolds Raiders fared leading up to the Christmas break.

Clarion's **Mike Bartolo ('15)** had the busiest schedule of seven former Raiders wrestling in college.

Mike was the victim of a string of close decisions as he dropped one or two point matches in consecutive duals against Campbell University, American and Eastern Michigan. Clarion then traveled to the prestigious Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational where Bartolo went 1-2.

Mike finished with the same record at the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) Championships before getting pinned by nationally-ranked Patricio Lugo in a dual with Edinboro before winter break.

Clarion resumes action with duals against Davidson and Appalachian State, at Davidson on Jan. 8.

Edinboro was also at Las Vegas where redshirt junior **Austin Matthews ('13)** had a strong showing.

Three consecutive victories, including a 7-3 decision over No. 4 seed Kenton Subjek of Stanford in the quarterfinals advanced Austin to the semifinals where he was bested by returning NCAA finalist Isaac Jordan of Wisconsin.

Austin bounced back by topping the No. 6 seed -- Brandon Womack of Cornell -- before dropping a decision to Wyoming's Brandon Ashworth to finish fourth.

Austin did not compete at the PSAC

championships, a dual match with Clarion or the Southern Scuffle. Edinboro's next match is set for Jan. 7 at Bloomsburg.

Bucknell freshman **Seth Hogue ('16)** wrestled in the Navy Classic where he picked up his first collegiate win -- an 8-7 decision over Kent State's Nico O'Dor. That advanced him to the quarterfinals where he fell to the tournament's eventual champion Shaid Karbo of George Mason. Seth then defaulted out of the tournament for precautionary reasons.

Seth returned to action and put together a strong showing at the Cleveland State Open. Consecutive victories to open the tournament advanced Seth to the semifinals before eventually finishing fourth. Bucknell will host Franklin & Marshall on Jan. 10.

Freshman **Cam Cianci ('13)** saw his first collegiate action for the Thiel Tomcats getting a match at the Mount Union Duals where he dropped a decision to the host's Jake Taylor.

Thiel travels to Waynesburg on Jan. 7 for the Waynesburg Invitational where we hope to see the 2016-17 debut of the Yellow Jackets sophomore **Mike Millero ('15)**. After winning the wrestle-off for the starting spot, Mike decided to take the first semester off to concentrate on academics.

It did not appear as though Mercyhurst's **Jamar Henry ('13)** or **Mason McCollum ('14)** saw action for the Lakers in the month of December.

Mercyhurst returns to action on Jan. 5-6 at the National Duals in Fort Wayne, Ind.

Matthews is 37th Raider to Reach 100 Wins



Cole Matthews became the 37th Reynolds High School wrestler to win 100 career matches with a 5-1 win over Carnell Andrews of Bishop McCort in the POWERADE Tournament semifinals.

Cole was 43-6 as a freshman, 44-5 as a sophomore and through the end of December this season is 14-1. That puts his career record at 101-12.

Cole won a PIAA title as a freshman and finished third as a sophomore.

He is currently ranked sixth in the country at 138 pounds.



(RWM photo by Connie Sorg)

Members of the Reynolds Junior High wrestling team include (front row, l-r) Clayton Rhoades, Kane Kettering, Cole Micsky, Ava Bayless and Mason Edmonds. Also (middle, l-r) Dreyvin Livingston, Liam Foore, Brook Santell, Kaeden Berger, Gary Steen and Lee Walter. And (back, l-r) John Gilmore, Jordan DeCarmen, Cole Toy, Alex Ischo and Jhase Burdick.

Taylor's Troops Take Two at Canfield

CANFIELD, Ohio -- The Reynolds Raiders made the best of a weather-shortened Canfield Holiday Duals by posting a pair of impressive wins on Saturday, Dec. 17.

The Raiders topped Akron St. Vincent St. Mary's in the opening match, 55-9, before besting host Canfield, 46-23, in the finale.

Reynolds was supposed to wrestle three matches but Dover, Ohio opted to stay home due to a wintry mix of snow, rain, sleet and freezing rain. The messy weather caused the event to start one hour late and it ended earlier than expected because there were less matches contested.

A host of Raiders — Adam Wilcox (106), Beau Bayless (113), Andrew Ischo (120), Gage Bayless (126), Hunter Michaels (132), Cole Matthews (138), Chaise Hauck (145) and Gavin Wilkerson (170) — all went 2-0. Matthews had a pair of falls.

Michaels had a nice win over a state-ranked opponent vs. SVSM, and Ben Wilcox put forth his best effort in losing by major dec. to a nationally ranked wrestler from Canfield.



Raider Ben Wilcox battles Canfield's nationally-ranked Georgio Poullas

Brookville Ultimate Duals

Saturday, Jan. 21

9:30 a.m.—Reynolds vs. Chestnut Ridge (Mat I)

11 a.m.—Reynolds vs. Greenville (Mat II)

2 p.m.—Reynolds vs. Bishop McCort (Mat I)

3:30 p.m.—Reynolds vs. Burrell (Mat I)

6:30 p.m.-Reynolds vs. Brookville (Mat I)



McCloskey Grabs PowerAde JV Title

Freshman Bryce McCloskey won five straight matches — four of them by fall — to capture a PowerAde JV Tournament title on Wednesday, Dec. 28.

McCloskey (170) was one of three Raiders to place as Ryan Harnett (132) finished

second and Rocco Bartolo (126) was third.

Reynolds' other entries were Cole Bayless (106), Tylir Shannon (138), Evan Miller (220), Xavier Cowburn (220) and Eddie Hammons (285).



December Boxscores

Dec. 15, 2016

Reynolds 72, Grove City 3

106-Adam Wilcox (R) pinned Braden Barr, 0:32.
 113-Beau Bayless (R) pinned Julian Barr, 1:43.
 120-Andrew Ischo (R) won by forfeit.
 126-Gage Bayless (R) major dec. Cory Bable, 15-2.
 132-Hunter Michaels (R) pinned Daiveaon Say, 5:38.
 138-Cole Matthews (R) pinned Alec Petry, 1:38.
 145-Chaise Hauck (R) major dec. Collin Meals, 15-4.
 152-Tyler Greer (GC) dec. Matthew Gosser, 2-1.
 160-Ben Wilcox (R) major dec. Brad Cavolo, 8-0.
 170-Gavin Wilkerson (R) pinned Cordell Sanders, 1:04.
 182-Bryce McCloskey (R) pinned Ryan Fagan, 1:07.
 195-Joel Leise (R) won by forfeit.
 220-Wyatt Owen (R) won by forfeit.
 285-Derek Skeehan (R) pinned Morgan Kordes, 1:25.

JV-Reynolds 6, Grove City 0
 JH-Reynolds 36, Grove City 6

Dec. 17, 2016

Reynolds 55, Akron St. Vincent St. Mary's 9

106-Adam Wilcox (R) won by forfeit.
 113-Beau Bayless (R) won by forfeit.
 120-Andrew Ischo (R) won by forfeit.
 126-Gage Bayless (R) major dec. Nick Llewellyn, 15-6.
 132-Hunter Michaels (R) dec. Luke Wymer, 5-4.
 138-Cole Matthews (R) pinned James Sloan, 1:16.
 145-Chaise Hauck (R) dec. Jared Musci, 3-2.
 152-Christopher Mohr (S) dec. Matthew Gosser, 5-3.
 160-Michael McIntire (S) dec. Ben Wilcox, 7-0.
 170-Gavin Wilkerson (R) dec. David Heath, 6-4.

182-Joel Leise (R) pinned Anthony Ward, 0:26

195-Jarrett Lester (S) dec. Jarod Miller, 12-6.
 220-Wyatt Owen (R) won by forfeit.
 285-Derek Skeehan (R) won by forfeit.

Reynolds 46, Canfield 23

113-Beau Bayless (R) pinned Chris Makara, 1:18.
 120-Andrew Ischo (R) major dec. McCoy Watkis, 15-5.
 126-Gage Bayless (R) pinned Michael Prather, 0:25.
 132-Hunter Michaels (R) dec. Eric El-Hayek, 11-5.

138-Cole Matthews (R) pinned Tano English, 3:08.
 145-Chaise Hauck (R) dec. Anthony Joseph, 6-0.
 152-Anthony D'Aleisio (C) injury def. Matthew Gosser, 1st pd.
 160-Georgio Poullas (C) major dec. Ben Wilcox, 18-7.

170-Gavin Wilkerson (R) pinned Braxton Madison, 5:12.
 182-David Crawford (C) dec. Joel Leise, 7-2.
 195-Jarod Miller (R) injury def. Tyler Stein, 2nd pd.

220-Hunter Mursing (C) pinned Wyatt Owen, 3:54.
 285-Mason Giordano (C) major dec. Derek Skeehan, 19-8.
 106-Adam Wilcox (R) pinned Cameron Malinky, 0:53.

Dec. 20, 2016

Reynolds 84, West Middlesex 0

182-Joel Leise (R) pinned Anthony Gioan, 0:36.
 195-Jarod Miller (R) won by forfeit.
 220-Wyatt Owen (R) won by forfeit.
 285-Derek Skeehan (R) pinned Rye Yanak, 0:48.
 106-Adam Wilcox (R) pinned Jack Pringle, 0:59.
 113-Beau Bayless (R) won by forfeit.

120-Andrew Ischo (R) pinned Luke Mantzell, 2:36.

126-Gage Bayless (R) won by forfeit.
 132-Hunter Michaels (R) won by forfeit.

138-Cole Matthews (R) pinned Walter Drda, 0:31.

145-Chaise Hauck (R) won by forfeit.

152-Hunter Thompson (R) pinned Zebediah Rubaker, 4:51.

160-Ben Wilcox (R) won by forfeit.

170-Gavin Wilkerson (R) pinned Cody Kobiels, 0:20.

Dec. 22, 2016

Reynolds 67, Hickory 3

170-Gavin Wilkerson (R) pinned Raychel Heim, 0:30.
 182-Joel Leise (R) pinned Matt Hess, 1:03.
 195-Jarod Miller (R) pinned Skylar Collins, 1:46.
 220-Wyatt Owen (R) pinned Lamar Shepard, 5:01.
 285-Derek Skeehan (R) pinned Trever Lightner, 1:41.
 106-Adam Wilcox (R) won by forfeit.
 113-Beau Bayless (R) dec. James Gulla, 5-0.
 120-Andrew Ischo (R) dec. Damin Vadala, 5-2.
 126-Gage Bayless (R) pinned Dominic Vadala, 1:46.
 132-Hunter Michaels (R) major dec. Aiden Thompson, 9-1.
 138-Cole Matthews (R) pinned AJ Hammond, 1:07.

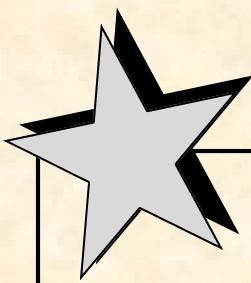
145-Chaise Hauck (R) pinned Brandon Miller, 3:01.
 152-Cole Ruffo (H) dec. Hunter Thompson, 7-6.
 160-Ben Wilcox (R) dec. Danny Wanchisn, 6-2.



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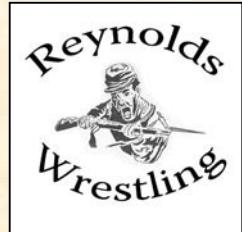
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New Question: Which Reynolds state champion never won a Section title?

Previous Question: Who holds the Reynolds record for most ties (draws) in a career?

Answer: Three Raiders are tied for the most ties in school history with 4—they are Jim Loutzenhiser (1965), Jim Charles (1968) and Bunky Mathieson (1988).



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Wasn't That a Party?

Reynolds Wrestling Alumni Reunion a Smashing Success

When Chuck Coryea, Brian Hills, Paula Rickert and I started putting together plans for the Reynolds Wrestling Alumni Reunion at team states we had a lot more questions than we had answers.

As it turned out, we could not have been more pleased with the end product.

We had wrestlers and coaches from every era of Reynolds Wrestling ranging from Frank Fenton (a team captain for Neal Lineman's first team back in 1961-62) to 176-match winner and four-time state place-winner Lawrence Beckman ('07).

Some folks just stopped in to say hello and shake a few hands while

others stayed up until 3:30 a.m. to relive their glory days.

My personal takeaway — and the thing I'm most proud of — is that I believe we succeeded in making a new memory to go along with all the great memories we already shared.

Reynolds Wrestling is a great common denominator. Our past, our present and our future is something that we are all be proud of. Getting together and talking about that is a good thing.

I'd like to say thank you to everyone who came and was part of a very special event, and of course to Chuck, Brian and Paula for making it happen.

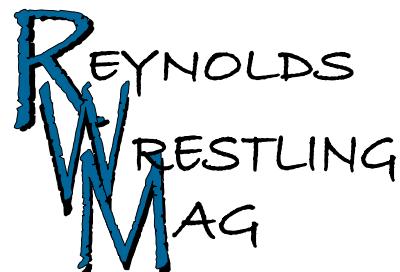
One final note concerning the reunion as it relates to finances. We spent \$100 on the room rental and just under \$200 on pizza. We collected \$295 in donations which means the event paid for itself almost down to the penny.

I don't think there is any doubt that we will host a similar event in the future.

More Alumni Reunion photos on The Back Page



Dave Reimold, Doug Longiotti, Tim Brandt and Russ Gilson at the Alumni Reunion



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Raiders Finish Third at PIAA Team Tourney

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HERSHEY— Another trip to the PIAA Class AA Team Championships — another Top 3 finish for the Reynolds Raiders.

For the fourth straight season and for the 10th time in school history, Reynolds has proven to be one of the top dual match teams in the state.

The Raiders posted a 4-1 record in Hershey to finish the season with an overall record of 23-3. The Raiders' lone loss at the state tournament came in the semifinals to eventual state champion Brookville by a score of 29-27. None of its four wins were close.

Reynolds posted winner's bracket wins over Southern Columbia (44-22) on Thursday morning and Huntingdon (45-18) on Friday morning, before falling to Brookville in the championships semifinals Friday night.

The Raiders rebounded with back-to-back wins on Saturday over Montoursville (42-21) and Boiling Springs (45-21) to



Jarod Miller receives his state medal from Coach Taylor

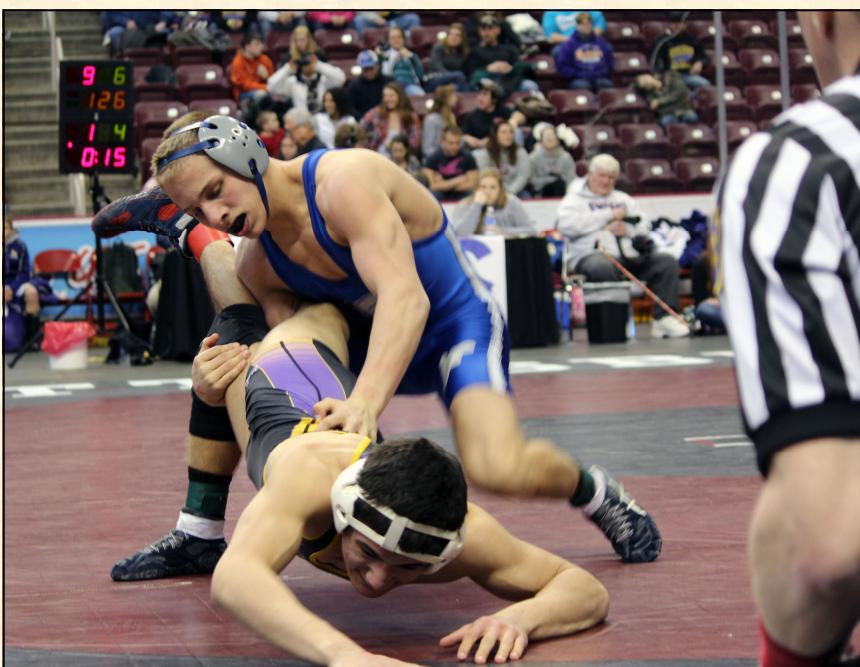
finish third.

Beau Bayless (106), Cole Matthews (126) and Joel Leise (170) all had pins against Boiling Springs. Seth Hogue (145) added a tech fall and Chaise Hauck (132) won his match by major decision.

“To summarize against Boiling Springs, they outwrestled us in the beginning and our kids came through in the end and got the job done,” said Coach Casey Taylor.

“It is very satisfying to be the coach of this team and to have the support that we had down here ... and the fight that we had down here from the guys. I’m very happy with them. To be able to put another big trophy in the show case and wrap 25 medals around these kids’ necks is tremendous. I couldn’t be happier.”

Reynolds has not only qualified for the state duals for 12 straight seasons, but it has brought home 10 medals during that span. The Raiders’ PIAA medal count now includes three golds, four silvers and three bronze.



Cole Matthews works for back points vs. Boiling Springs

Reynolds has placed in the Top 3 at the State Tournament for 4 Straight Seasons

Reynolds Qualifies 6 for Junior High States

The Reynolds junior high team took part in the Area VI state qualifying tournament on Sunday (2/28) at Mercer High School and turned in some impressive results -- qualifying six wrestlers for the upcoming PAJW Junior High State Championships.

Cole Bayless (77), Adam Wilcox (102), Jordan DeCarmen (132) and Bryce McCloskey (157) all finished first. Cole Toy (147) won four matches, including a bout for true second. Alex Ischo (117) finished third and Liam Foore (87) was fourth. The Raiders' other entry was Lee Walter (107).

The Top 3 finishers in each weight class earned a trip to Junior High States -- scheduled for this Saturday and Sunday

(March 5-6) at the Cambria County War Memorial in Johnstown.

2016 AREA VI STATE QUALIFIER (at Mercer HS)

Reynolds results

77-Cole Bayless, 2-0, 1st place
 87-Liam Foore, 2-2, 4th place
 102-Adam Wilcox, 2-0, 1st place
 107-Lee Walter, 0-2, did not place
 117-Alex Ischo, 3-1, 3rd place
 132-Jordan DeCarmen, 3-0, 1st place
 147-Cole Toy, 4-1, 2nd place
 157-Bryce McCloskey, 3-0, 1st place

Season Win Leaders

(Thru District 10 Tournament)

Cole Matthews	37
Seth Hogue	34
Joel Leise	34
Beau Bayless	32
Gage Bayless	32
Gene Ringer	31
Chaise Hauck	31
Cole Rickert	24
Andrew Ischo	22
Hunter Michaels	22
Jarod Miller	13
Ben Wilcox	13

Season Pin Leaders

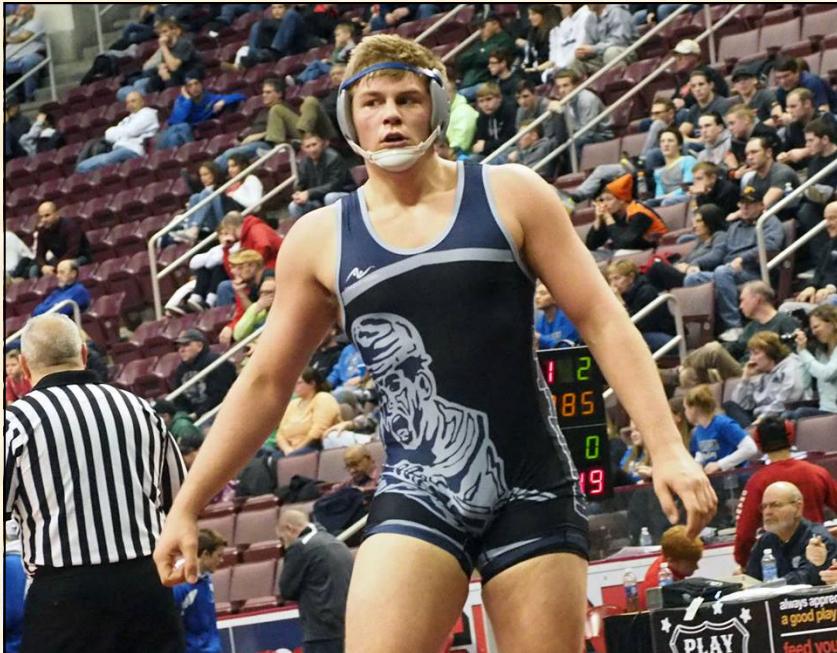
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Joel Leise	26
Cole Matthews	24
Gage Bayless	18
Cole Rickert	15
Gene Ringer	12
Chaise Hauck	11
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Career Win Leaders

(Thru District 10 Tournament)

Gene Ringer	144
Seth Hogue	143
Gage Bayless	105
Cole Rickert	91
Chaise Hauck	81
Cole Matthews	80
Joel Leise	69
Beau Bayless	32



Cole Rickert will likely be the next Raider to reach 100 career wins

Steve Popovitch's ALUMNI NEWS

It was another busy month for the group of former Reynolds Raiders now participating at the collegiate level.

Waynesburg University freshman **Mike Millero ('15)** received a bye and won by technical fall to advance to the quarterfinals of the John Summa Invitational, before a pair of decision losses eliminated him from the tournament. Mike then finished 2nd, as did the Yellow Jackets, at the President's Athletic Conference (PAC) Championships. Mike's season ended with a 2-2 finish at the Mideast Regional Tournament, where the top three finishers qualified for the NCAA D-III National Championships. Mike finished his first season at Waynesburg with 18 victories -- an impressive total.

Jamar Henry ('13) started February with a trio of dual meets. He dropped tight decisions against Gannon and Pitt-Johnstown, but played the role of hero in a dramatic win against Findlay. With the Lakers holding a slim 17-16 lead, Jamar came up clutch, pinning his opponent and sealing the win for his team. The win also avenged a loss from earlier in the season for Jamar.

He then went 2-2 at the D-II East Super Regional, where the top four qualified for Nationals. After competing at Mercyhurst North East for two years, Jamar finished with 15 wins in his first season as a Laker.

Jamar's Mercyhurst teammate, **Dylan D'Urso ('12)** recently had season-ending surgery. Dylan, a former All-American, was limited to just eight matches this season -- posting a record of 7-1. He now owns a career record of 70-11 and will have one year of eligibility remaining.

Injury also claimed the season of Clarion freshman **Michael Bartolo ('15)**. Michael earned the starting spot for the Golden Eagles this season and wrestled well. Injuries slowed him to the point where he wrestled only one match in the second semester. He finishes his first season with a 7-8 record.

Mercyhurst sophomore **Mason McCollum ('14)** went 2-2 and was one match away from placing at the Jamestown Community College Open. Mason competed at 157 lbs.

Senior **Mason Beckman ('11)** picked up a forfeit win in Lehigh's win over American University. He then fell to No. 5 Jordan Conaway as Lehigh fell to top ranked Penn State.

Mason was impressive on Senior Night as he won by major decision while the Mountain Hawks blanked Bloomsburg.



The NCAA Division I Wrestling Championships are scheduled for March 17-19 at New York City's Madison Square Garden.

Lehigh was then invited to compete in the NWCA National Duals Series, where they fell 18-17 to Rutgers. Mason was dominant in his match with a 19-7 major decision.

Mason will enter the EIWA Championships with 98 career wins. The tournament is scheduled for March 5-6 and will be hosted by Princeton University. Mason will look to earn his fourth trip to the NCAA Championships. The EIWA Championships will be streamed live by Flowrestling.

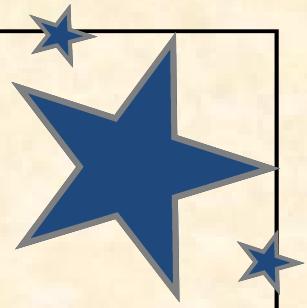
Edinboro clinched their third straight EWL title with a recent win over Lock Haven. Redshirt sophomore **Austin Matthews ('13)** won 6-1 in the dual.

Austin then went 3-0 at the Edinboro Open, before being pulled entering the quarterfinals when he met his pre-determined match limit. Matthews dominated in a 15-3 major decision when Edinboro fell to Virginia Tech. He then held a lead entering the second period against No. 9 ranked Luke Smith of Central Michigan, before being reversed to his back and pinned.

Austin picked up a decision against Kent State and then dropped a pair of tight matches against ranked opponents. He fell to WVU's No. 17 Dylan Cottrell 4-1 and Ohio State's No. 10 Jake Ryan 4-3.

Austin will look to earn his second trip to the NCAA Championships when Edinboro competes in the EWL Championships at Lock Haven on March 5th.

The NCAA Championships will be held at New York City's Madison Square Garden March 17-19. The ESPN networks will air all rounds of this year's tournament. If things go well we could see a pair of former Raiders competing in NYC to close out the collegiate season.



Freshman Beau Bayless continued his outstanding season with 3 wins at the D-10 Team Tournament

RHS Downs Bison to Claim D-10 Team Title

By DON SHAFFER

RWM Editor

SHARON — The Reynolds Raiders earned their fourth straight District 10 Class AA Team Title with a heart-pounding, 32-29, triumph over Fort LeBoeuf on Saturday, Feb. 6 at Sharon High School.

Reynolds has won 11 of the last 12 D-10 tournaments and 14 in the 18 year history of the event.

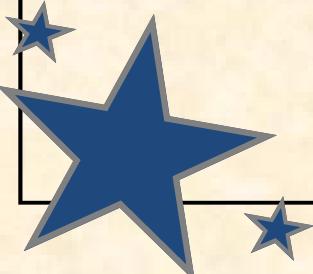
The Raiders' day began with a 60-12 win over Cambridge Springs in the quarterfinal round. One of the best bouts of the match came at 220 pounds where a pair of returning state medalists locked horns. Raider Cole Rickert emerged a 4-3 winner over Zach Stafford after the ultimate tiebreaker period.

In the semifinals, Reynolds topped Saegertown, 50-22. Reynolds trailed early in this match, 19-0, but rallied to win nine of the last 10 matches. Seth Hogue (138) turned in one of the most impressive wins with a major decision over Saegertown stud Jude Mattocks.

Reynolds needed all its weapons to hold off Fort LeBoeuf in a championship match that was not decided until the final bout — a fall by Hogue.

District 10 Team Champions

1999	Fort LeBoeuf
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2005	Reynolds
2006	Reynolds
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2010	Reynolds
2011	Reynolds
2012	Fort LeBoeuf
2013	Reynolds
2014	Reynolds
2015	Reynolds
2016	Reynolds





Seven Raiders Claim Section 2-AA Crowns

Reynolds Extends its Streak of Team Points Titles to 22 Straight

By DON SHAFFER
RWM Editor

SHARON— Beau Bayless (106), Gage Bayless (120), Cole Matthews (126), Chaise Hauck (132), Hunter Michaels (138), Seth Hogue (145) and Joel Leise (170) all won individual titles as Reynolds cruised to its 22nd straight Section team title, outpointing runner-up Hickory by more than 100 points.

“We’re proud to say that we have seven Section champions,” said Coach Casey Taylor.

“When half of your teams wins a Section title, that’s something

to be proud of.”

In winning his fourth Section title, Hogue joins an exclusive club of four-timers that includes just a dozen Raiders.

“I remember when he was just a little pipsqueak, and got that first one at 106, and now winning this one at 145 ... he’s adjusted to the weight very well,” Taylor said, adding, “(Seth) did a great job of leading the team this weekend.”

Jarod Miller (195), Cole Rickert (220) and Gene Ringer (285) finished second for the Raiders while Andrew Ischo (113) and Derek

Skeehan (182) were third and Ben Wilcox (160) fourth.

Freshman Hunter Thompson (152) posted a 2-2 record with a pair of falls. Both of his losses were by one point, including one of them to the tournament’s top seed.

The 13 Raiders who placed at the tournament earned the right to advance to the District 10 Class AA Championships.

Reynolds won the tournament with 272.5 points, followed by Hickory with 171. Sharon (146.5) was third, Franklin (108) fourth and Lakeview (106) fifth.

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ALL-TIME DUAL MATCH RECORD

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DISTRICT 10 CLASS AA CHAMPIONS — Include (kneeling, l-r) Beau Bayless, Reynolds; Abe Guarcello, Fort LeBoeuf; Charlie Lenox, Fort LeBoeuf; Cole Matthews, Reynolds; Chaise Hauck, Reynolds; Jarret Carter, Fort LeBoeuf; and, Seth Hogue, Reynolds. And (standing, l-r) Nick Monico, Saegertown; Cody Mulligan, Saegertown; Dakota Geer, Franklin; Blake Reynolds, Greenville; Gage Gladysz, Greenville and Gene Ringer, Reynolds. Missing from photo is Eisenhower's Louie Head.

Raiders Win D-10 Team Title, Crown 5 Champs

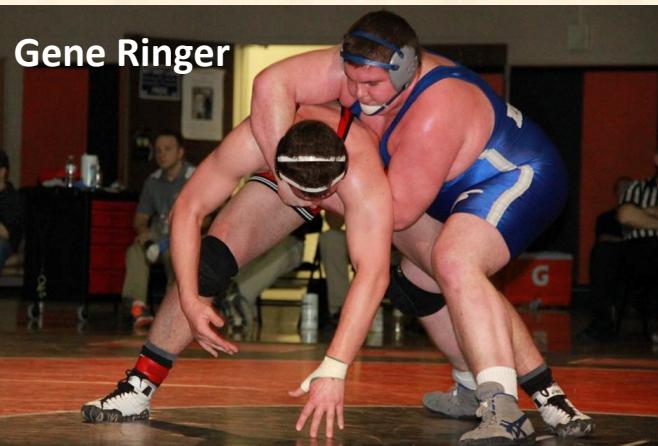
By DON SHAFFER
RWM Editor

SHARON — Gene Ringer (285), Seth Hogue (145) and Cole Matthews (126) won their second District 10 individual titles and Beau Bayless (106) and Chaise Hauck (132) their first as the Reynolds Raiders rolled to their fourth straight team title and the 22nd in school history.

Reynolds qualified 11 wrestlers for the Northwest Regional while scoring 216.5 team points to finish ahead of Greenville (158.5) and Fort LeBoeuf (148). Saegertown (94) and Sharon (82) rounded out the Top 5.

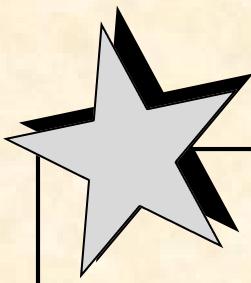
Reynolds' other place-winners included runner-up Joel Leise (170) and third-place finishers Gage Bayless (120), Hunter Michaels (138) and Cole Rickert (220). Andrew Ischo finished fourth at 113 pounds and Jarod Miller was sixth at 195.

Two Raiders — junior Ben Wilcox (160) and freshman Derek Skeehan (182) - were entered in the tournament but were unable to secure a spot in the top six.



February Boxscores

District 10 Team Championships Feb. 6, 2016 Quarterfinals Reynolds 60, Cambridge Springs 12	120-Charles Lenox (FLB) dec. Gage Bayless, 4-1. 126-Cole Matthews (R) pinned Noah Rose, 1:40. 132-Chaise Hauck (R) pinned Josh Filutze, 4:41. 138-Jarret Carter (FLB) pinned Hunter Michaels, 3:27. 145-Seth Hogue (R) pinned Clayton Barr, 4:18. - - -	182-Joel Leise (R) dec. Dane Clever, 9-6. 195-Noah Cieleski (B) major dec. Jarod Miller, 11-0. 220-Cole Rickert (R) dec. Tyler Cook, 4-3. 285-Gene Ringer (R) dec. Bryce Town, 3-1. 106-Beau Bayless (R) dec. Keelan Kunselman, 3-2. 113-Gavin Park (B) major dec. Andrew Ischo, 10-1. 120-Gage Bayless (R) dec. Kai Sorbin, 6-2. 126-Cole Matthews (R) pinned Dontae Constable, 1:10. 132-Taylor Ortz (B) pinned Ryan Harnett, 1:26. 138-Cole Aaron (B) dec. Chaise Hauck, 5-1. 145-Seth Hogue (R) won by forfeit. - - -
138-Hunter Michaels (R) tech fall David Schwab, 15-0, 3:07. 145-Seth Hogue (R) pinned Brandon Flis, 0:20. 152-Matthew Gosser (R) pinned Austin Jones, 0:52. 160-Ben Wilcox (R) major dec. Trenton Merry, 13-0. 170-Joel Leise (R) pinned Clay Verbanac, 1:53. 182-Hunter Cox (CS) pinned Derek Skeeahan, 0:35. 195-Deven Simpson (CS) dec. Jarod Miller, 4-0. 220-Cole Rickert (R) dec. Zach Stafford, 4-3 (UTB). 285-Gene Ringer (R) won by forfeit. 106-Beau Bayless (R) pinned Anthony Stover, 0:36. 113-Andrew Ischo (R) won by forfeit. 120-Tye Varndell (CS) dec. Gage Bayless, 2-1. 126-Cole Matthews (R) pinned Tristin Findlay, 0:11. 132-Chaise Hauck (R) pinned Zachary Walker, 4:21. - - -	PIAA Class AA Team Championships Feb. 11-13, 2016 Preliminary Round Reynolds 44, Southern Columbia 22	152-Matthew Gosser (R) dec. John Gembic, 1-0. 160-Anthony Scicchitano (SC) dec. Ben Wilcox, 3-1. 170-Blake Marks (SC) pinned Daniel Blayney, 1:20. 182-Joel Leise (R) pinned Kevin Olvaney, 0:35. 195-Steve Toczylosky (SC) major dec. Jarod Miller, 12-0. 220-Cole Rickert (R) pinned Andrew Bell, 3:34. 285-Gene Ringer (R) pinned Jared Torres, 5:19. 106-Jaret Lane (SC) dec. Beau Bayless, 5-4 (UTB). 113-Shane Casey (SC) dec. Andrew Ischo, 6-0. 120-Gage Bayless (R) pinned Ethan Knoebel, 0:54. 126-Cole Matthews (R) tech fall Jake Renn, 18-2, 4:51. 132-Todd Lane (SC) dec. Chaise Hauck, 6-2. 138-Hunter Michaels (R) pinned Shane Miller, 1:45. 145-Seth Hogue (R) pinned Noah Bloom, 0:41. - - -
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152-Isaac Bengel (FLB) major dec. Matthew Gosser, 13-3. 160-Jared Kula (FLB) dec. Ben Wilcox, 5-2. 170-Julian Gorring (FLB) major dec. Andrew Herman, 15-4. 182-Joel Leise (R) dec. Drew Rose, 8-5. 195-Lane Reinwald (FLB) dec. Derek Skeeahan, 9-4. 220-Cole Rickert (R) pinned Nate Malinowski, 0:51. 285-Gene Ringer (R) dec. Derrick Dauson, 7-0. 106-Beau Bayless (R) dec. Issac Crowell, 7-2. 113-Abe Guarriello (FLB) pinned Andrew Ischo, 3:52.	Championship Finals Reynolds 33, Fort LeBoeuf 29	152-Dominic Palmer (B) dec. Matthew Gosser, 6-0. 160-Caleb Hetrick (B) pinned Daniel Blayney, 2:52. 170-Xavier Molnar (B) dec. Ben Wilcox, 5-0.
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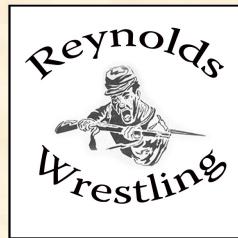
REYNOLDS WRESTLING TRIVIA CORNER



New Question: What is the last team to win a Section team title other than Reynolds?

Previous Question: What year did Reynolds win its first team state championship?

Answer: Reynolds won its first team state championship in 2006.



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Hogue Earns
7th PIAA Medal



Reynolds families and fans welcome home the wrestlers following the 2016 PIAA Class AA Individual Championships



Cole Matthews helps Beau Bayless get loose

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5 Raiders Earn Medals, Team Finishes 4th

By DON SHAFFER
RWM Editor

HERSHEY—Five Reynolds wrestlers brought home hardware from the 2016 PIAA Class AA Championships as senior Seth Hogue (145) earned his third medal, sophomore Cole Matthews (126) and junior Cole Rickert (220) claimed their second and junior Chaise Hauck (132) and freshman Beau Bayless (106) each grabbed their first.

Reynolds entered the tournament with seven qualifiers and the team finished fourth in the standings.

Junior Joel Leise (171) and sophomore Hunter Michaels (138) also qualified for the state tournament.

Matthews, a 2015 state champion, was the top-placing Raider (3rd). He was beaten in the semifinals by the eventual champion but despite that setback rebounded to win two matches, beating a past state champion in his consolation final.



“Our guys prepared well and wrestled well,” said Coach Casey Taylor. “But what I am probably even more proud of is the way they handled adversity when it came their way. I think that anybody who is a Reynolds fan, or a fan of wrestling for that matter, should be proud of the way these kids acted when they came off the mat following some very tough moments.”

Matthews finished his season with more wins than any one on the team (44) and is now 87-11 in his high school career. He was second on the team with 26 falls.

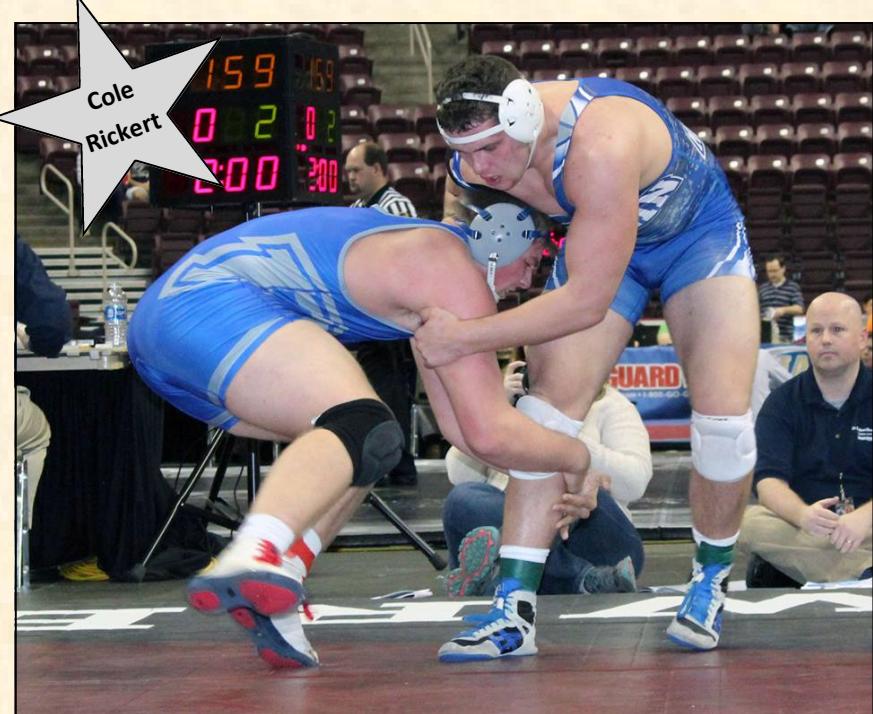
Bayless also advanced to the semifinals before finishing fourth. He lost only to the second and third-place finishers while completing a robust 38-9 freshman campaign.

Finishing fifth, Hogue ends his high school career as one of the most highly decorated Raiders ever - winning three individual PIAA medals and four PIAA team medals. (Seth was one win from placing at

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The 2016-17 Raiders will return 6 PIAA qualifiers



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states as a freshman.)

"I'm real proud of seven medals. I doubt many kids in this gym (Giant Center) have as many medals from the state tournament as I do. And, 149 wins, that's a pretty good number, I guess," said Hogue, who has

pledged to wrestle at Bucknell University.

Rickert, who hit a mid-season slump, fought through that adversity to end up on the podium in Hershey for the second time. Rickert lost his consolation final

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Season Win Leaders

Cole Matthews	44
Seth Hogue	40
Joel Leise	38
Beau Bayless	38
Chaise Hauck	36
Gage Bayless	33
Gene Ringer	32
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Steve Popovitch's ALUMNI NEWS

Mason Beckman's Letter to Raider Nation

Raider Nation,

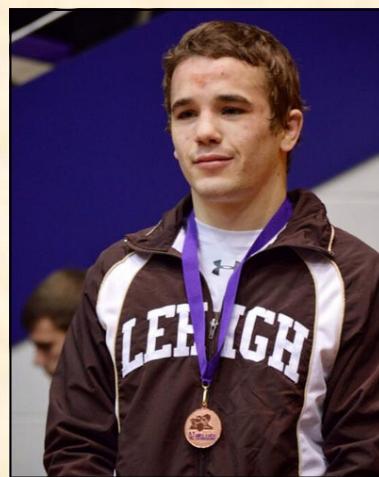
As I sit here and try to get used to life as a retired wrestler, I want to thank all of you for helping make my career such an incredible journey. Although I haven't put on a Reynolds singlet since March of 2011, I still carried the blue and gray in my heart every single time I stepped on the mat regardless of where I was. I'm not exactly sure where to start with the specific thank you's, but I'm just going to dive right in and see where we end up.

I guess it makes sense to start at the beginning of my career and thank all of the coaches I had in my time at the elementary level. Coach Foore, D'Urso, Stoyer, Reagle, Kulka, Dawes, and Co. are all people I wish I could thank in person, but I hope this will do for now. Each one of you guys helped me grow not just as a wrestler, but as a person even on the days when I really did not want to. You taught me lessons even as a young kid that I still carry with me today, and for that I thank you. Some of the funniest memories of my life come from those days and the stupid things I did in my downtime either at practice or at youth tournaments, but I'll save those stories (and the ensuing embarrassment) for another day.

I want to thank those Reynolds wrestlers that came before me and set the bar as high as can be both on and off the mat. I can still remember being seven or eight years old, sitting in the gym at Sharon, telling my dad that I wanted to be just like Steve Popovitch or the Nestor brothers. I remember watching practice up at the high school and being amazed at how hard Aaron Nestor ran every sprint, or how fiercely Matt Dunn fought for every inch even in a seemingly meaningless practice match. I remember hearing the crowd chant Sammy Fuchs' name going into OT of his match for third and fourth at regionals his freshman year after Hubbard inexplicably let him off his back with five seconds left in regulation. I remember hearing the crowd go ballistic after Ryan Foust knocked off Showers (I think that was his name) from Union City to go to states his senior year. Matt Dunn smashing the field at PIAA's to end his career, the team known as "Murderer's Row," Justin Nestor taking out his frustration on those cones at Phillipsburg, Nick Sommerfeld eating Casey's pizza and replacing it with...something warm, Coach Reichard coming up with nicknames for every member of our team...the memories are absolutely endless. But what is true of the people around which the stories are centered is that those guys were, and still are, the best role

models a kid could have ever asked for. I want to thank each one of you guys for giving me some amazing people to look up to.

Not every memory I have from my years at Reynolds is a happy one, though. I'll never forget watching the final seconds tick away in overtime in the state finals my freshman year or those losses we suffered in the state duals. But the



thing of it is, those moments might be what makes our program truly special because we never dwelled on them and allowed them to define us. We always picked ourselves up, got pissed off, and came back the next time swinging even harder than we did the first. As Coach Hills always loved to say, "You have to be a junkyard dog out there!" And really, this program

taught me how to fight and bounce back from anything that life threw my way, which is a lesson that I value far more than any match that I ever won or lost.

The coaches, the team, and the surrounding community has always found a way to be resilient and gain strength from one another and that's a huge part of the reason that Raider Nation is such an incredible group. I can remember the pep talks that Hills, Casey, and Coach Reichard gave us in the locker room after tough losses. They were always short and to the point, but the message was always the same in the end: we will be back, and we will be even better for having gone through this trial. If that doesn't sum up our program and community, I don't know what does.

I need to thank the coaching staff from my high school years. Coach Hills, Casey, Mike, Coach Reichard, and my dad...you guys were one of the best high school staffs in America and you always found a way to get more out of us than we ever knew possible. Coach Hills, you will always be the most incredible motivator I have ever encountered. You made us believe in ourselves, the program, and everything we learned in the room. I still think back to some of your speeches any time I need a little extra motivation to get through the day, and I want to thank you for always pushing

us further. Casey, you were one of the only people that I could talk to who I knew understood the pressures and feelings I dealt with every day. The talks we had and the advice you gave me are something I will cherish for the rest of my life and may have been some of the most crucial moments in my development as a person. Thanks, Case. Mike, nobody has ever made me laugh harder on a daily basis than you did. You always kept things light and kept us in good spirits even when we were sucked out, beat up, and in the dog days of the season. Without you, I'm pretty sure I wouldn't have smiled once while I was making 103 my freshman year. Thanks for everything, man. Coach Reichard, you are the single most underrated coach I've ever been around. You did so much for each and every one of us and the program as a whole that I could dedicate an entire letter just to you. You came in early to do technique, you let us wear your shoes for tournaments, and you even drove me up to Ithaca to take an unofficial visit to Cornell. Your guidance and friendship are a couple of my most valued takeaways from my time in the program. Thanks, Coach.

Dad, I can tell you all of this in person so I won't drag it out on here and force myself into tears any quicker than I have to. I will say thank you, though. For everything. For forcing me to understand that wrestling was what I did, not who I was. For always putting our relationship as father and son before anything related to wrestling. For still being in my corner for every match and every step I take in life. You might be off your rocker, but I love you to death and it's because of you that I am the person I am today. Thanks, dad.

From the coaches to my teammates! I was surrounded by a number of different guys over my four years as a part of the high school program and each one deserves a thank you. You guys made every day a blast and I couldn't have accomplished anything I have without you. There are a few specific guys that I really need to thank: Dylan D'Urso, Adam and Austin Matthews, Luke Taylor, and Dillon Babcock. Dylan, you were one of the best workout partners I ever had from the time we were both eight years old and you pushed me to greater heights in every way. It's been so much fun to watch you succeed at the college level and I know you'll win your title next year once you get yourself healed up. Thanks for everything, bud. Adam, you started out as one of my rivals and ended up one of my best friends and teammates. Crazy, right? From all the time we spent together after school and in the summers to the

battles we had in the room, you helped me stay sane and grow as a person and wrestler every day. Thanks for everything, man. Austin,

you've been one of my best friends from the time we were in elementary school and I'm incredibly thankful to have had such a great person by my side all the time. You're a huge part of everything I've been able to do in life and I love you to death, kid. Thanks for everything. Luke! Not even sure where to start this one, but suffice to say that you too will be one my best friends for as long as I live. You always had more faith in me than I had in myself and I just wanna thank you for making all of those memories with me over the years. Truth be told, you're still one of my role models in life. Thanks for everything, big man. Dillon, I really need to thank you for putting up with me every night in practice for all those years and for being the best drill partner in the land. I couldn't have asked for a more selfless partner or friend, and I want to thank you for everything.

I have to thank Don Shaffer for all that he does as the Reynolds Wrestling super fan as well. I know I told you all of this in person Saturday, so I'll keep it as short as possible and just say thanks for absolutely everything, Shaf. You do great things for this program and I love you, man. The words of wisdom you gave me this past fall when I was really struggling helped me see the light on the other side, and I will be forever grateful.

The last person I need to thank is T. For anyone who doesn't know, that's John Tofani. You were one of my biggest fans from the first time I stepped into the high school as a junior high kid and your support to this day has meant the world to me. You always looked out for me in school, on the mat, and in life. I never said this to you enough, but I love you to death, T. Thanks for everything.

To the rest of Raider Nation, thank you for an amazing ride. I hope you all enjoyed watching it as much as I enjoyed being out there for the past eighteen years. I miss suiting up for the blue and gray every day, but I really hope you all know that I had you guys in my heart every time I laced 'em up. They say that we are all a product of our environment, and I really believe that to be true. I'm just incredibly thankful to have been blessed with the most incredible environment and community of people on earth.

As I walk away from the competitive side of my career, I just wanted to thank all of you one last time for everything you did for me. You guys are the best, and I will always be a Raider. Thank you again, Raider Nation.

Always A Raider,
Mason Beckman



Mason Beckman



Austin Matthews



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Mark Schultz



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for seventh place in the tiebreaker. With 30 wins this year, Rickert now stands at the century club doorstep with a career mark of 97-38.

Reynolds' other place-winner was Hauck who was forced to win three straight consolation bouts after dropping a 3-2 decision in the opening round. Chaise was 3-3 in Hershey to close out a 36-10 season. He is now 86-41 in his career.

Leise tied the RHS single-season pin record and came within a whisker of breaking the mark before bowing out of the tournament with a 2-2 record. Both of his wins in Hershey came via fall and Leise ended an impressive junior season with a 38-10 record, including 29 pin wins. His opening-round loss was to the eventual state champion.

Michaels, a sophomore, proved



he belonged in Hershey by winning a match and going 1-2. As a freshman, Michaels was 2-2 in limited varsity time, but he excelled in his first full varsity season -- especially after settling into the proper

weight class. He finished his season with a 25-15 record with 14 of those wins resulting in bonus points for his team.



Farewell to Our Friend

Bette "Becky" Matthews, mother of Curt, and grandmother of Adam, Austin and Cole Matthews died on April 1, 2016



We are so very proud to say that Becky was a beloved member of the Reynolds Wrestling family.

Our deepest sympathy to the Matthews family. They are in our hearts and minds and in our prayers.

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2016 Northwest Regional Team Champions

Raiders Win 4th Straight NWR Team Title

By DON SHAFFER
RWM Editor

SHARON - Reynolds won the Class AA Northwest Regional team points title for a fourth straight season and earned the right to advance half its team - seven wrestlers - to the PIAA Class AA Championships.

The team points race could not have been tighter as RHS edged Brookville 135-131. Greenville was third with 90 points, Fort LeBoeuf (84.5) was fourth and Brockway (48) finished fifth.

Freshman Beau Bayless (106) and sophomore Cole Matthews (126) were tournament champions. Chaise Hauck (132), Seth Hogue (145) and Joel Leise (171) were second while Hunter Michaels (138) and Cole Rickert (220) were third. Hogue qualified for his fourth state tournament.

"Taking seven kids to states, you're taking half your team and you have to be happy with that," said coach Casey Taylor. "The kids all wrestled hard. The kids that qualified did an excellent job and the kids that didn't really fought hard and they tried their best and that's really all we ask."

The Raiders entered 11 wrestlers and four -- Andrew Ischo (113), Gage Bayless (120), Jarod Miller

(195) and Gene Ringer (285) -- were unable to advance. Bayless and Ringer were both seeking their third trips to states.

Ringer, a senior co-captain, closes out an outstanding high school career in which he became just the fifth Reynolds wrestler to compete in more than 200 matches. His 145 wins rank him 11th on the all-time Raider list. He was a two-time Ironman place-winner and a two-time PIAA place-winner.

Of Reynolds' seven PIAA qualifiers, only Hogue is a senior.



Coach Taylor accepts the Northwest Regional team points trophy from D-10 Wrestling Chairman Chris Osborne

7 Raiders Named Region I All-Stars

Reynolds is well represented on the 2016 District 10 Class AA Region I All-Star team.

Seven Raiders have been named to the first team and four others to the second team. The all-star team is voted on by the Region's coaches.

Here is the full list of first and second team selections:

2016 District 10 Class AA Region 1 All-Stars

First team

106: **Beau Bayless, fr., Reynolds**
113: Derick Uber, jr., Lakeview
120: **Gage Bayless, jr., Reynolds**
126: **Cole Matthews, so., Reynolds**
132: **Chaise Hauck, jr., Reynolds**
138: **Hunter Michaels, so., Reynolds**
145: **Seth Hogue, sr., Reynolds**
152: Nick Enos, jr., Sharpsville / John Sims, sr., Hickory
160: Nick McClimans, jr., Sharon
170: **Joel Leise, jr., Reynolds**
182: Dakota Geer, sr., Franklin
195: Chris Mueller, sr., Sharpsville
220: Bryce Laughlin, sr., Sharon
285: Jared Miely, sr., Hickory

Second team

106: Cory Bable, jr., Grove City
113: **Andrew Ischo, fr., Reynolds**
120: Gage Shoemaker, so., Franklin
126: Owen Clayton, jr., Lakeview
132: Brock Salvatore, so., Sharpsville
138: Dalton Meals, sr., Grove City
145: Mitchell Murray, sr., West Middlesex
152: Giovanni Volpe, sr., Sharon
160: Ty Carey, sr., Franklin
170: Robbie Thomas, sr., Hickory
182: Jordan Wilson, fr., Sharon
195: **Jarod Miller, so., Reynolds** / Hagan Cook, jr., Franklin
220: **Cole Rickert, jr., Reynolds**
285: **Gene Ringer, sr., Reynolds**

Region I Wrestler of the Year — Dakota Geer, sr., Franklin



Berger, Wagner Earn Medals at PJW States

Reynolds wrestlers Kaeden Berger (4th) and Jalen Wagner (7th) earned medals at the 2016 Pennsylvania Junior Wrestling State Championships in Erie.

After suffering a loss in his first match, Kaeden (11-12, 95 pounds) battled back to win five

straight to reach the consolation finals.

Jalen (9-10, 95) also wrestled a very strong tournament and won three matches along the way.

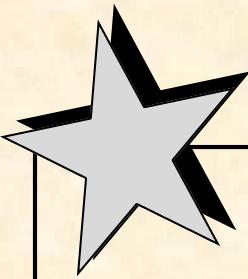
Other Raiders to qualify for the PJW State Championships and their results include:

- Santino Gentile, 9-10 age division, 75 pounds, 1-2 record.
- Brayden McCloskey, 9-10, 90, 2-2.
- Ava Bayless, 11-12, 80, 0-2.
- Dreyvin Livingston, 11-12, 90, 0-2.

Surprise, Surprise



It was nice running into Lee ('87, left) and Doug Groover ('67) at the NCAA Division I Wrestling Championships in New York City



The Hogue Page



Reynolds' 5 PIAA place-winners



Bob & Don Shaffer at the PIAA Championships



District 10 legends Tom Carr (l) and Bob Moore in NYC



Seth Hogue won the 2016 Bob Brandt VFW Award

REYNOLDS WRESTLING

TRIVIA CORNER



New Question: Can you name the four Reynolds wrestlers who have gone on to become NCAA Division I All-Americans?

Previous Question: What is the last team to win a Section team title other than Reynolds?

Answer: Mercer won the Section team points title in 1994. Since then, Reynolds has rolled to 22 straight Section championships.

