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UPCOMING MEET:

DEC. 11, 2004

ST. CLOUD STATE
INVITATIONAL
9 A.M.



2004-05 SCSU WRESTLING TEAM NEWS

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HUSKIES TO HOST ANNUAL SCSU INVITATIONAL: St. Cloud State University's Halenbeck Hall will be the site of the 34th St. Cloud State Invitational wrestling tournament on Saturday, Dec. 11. This tournament will feature many of the nation's top NCAA Division II, NCAA Division III and NJCAA wrestling programs in the nation. The tournament will begin at 9 a.m., and the admission cost will be \$8 and \$5 for spectators under the age of 18. Teams slated to participate in the tournament along with SCSU include Augsburg College, Concordia University-Moorhead, Dickinson State, Jamestown, St. Olaf, Minnesota State-Moorhead, Minnesota State-Mankato, Northern State, Southwest Minnesota State, St. John's, Ridgewater C.C., Itasca C.C., Rochester C.C. and Minnesota West C.C. For complete results, please check out the SCSU wrestling website at www.StCloudState.edu/athletics

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS: The St. Cloud State wrestling team competed at the 2004 Northern Iowa Open on Sunday, Dec. 5. This meet featured many of the nation's top NCAA Division I, NCAA Division II and NCAA Division III programs. In action at 133-pounds for SCSU, Brent Johnson posted a 0-2 record. At 141-pounds, Tom Messerli was 1-2, which included an 8-6 win over UI's Derek Coorough. SCSU's Matt Jensen also competed at 141-pounds and he was 0-2 at the tournament. At 149-pounds, Adam Minnette was 1-2 and teammate Eric O'Brien was 0-2 at UNI. Blake Christopherson was 0-2 at 157-pounds, and Natt Schutt was also 0-2 at 165-pounds. Sean Beere chalked up one win at 165-pounds for the Huskies on route to a 1-2 record. At 174-pounds, Mike Gritti and Brian Hanlon both notched 0-2 records, while 184-pounder Lucas Pohlmeier was 1-2 at UNI. To complete the meet, Mikal Peterson was 1-2 at 197-pounds and Brad Nowak was 0-2 at heavyweight.

TEAM NOTES: In 2003-04, SCSU's Derek Miller qualified for the NCAA DII national championships...in 2004, SCSU placed 11th as a team at the always rugged St. Cloud State Invitational. Four-time defending SCSU Invitational champion North Dakota State will not be attending this season, since the Bison are now wrestling at the NCAA Division I level. NCAA Division III power Augsburg will be attendance, and the last team other than NDSU to win the SCSU title was Augsburg in 1999. SCSU has won 10 SCSU Invitational titles with the last title being claimed in 1987...did you know that 184-pounder Lukas Pohmeier spent last year on active duty with the Army in Italy.

SCSU COACHING STAFF: The Huskies are led this season by Steve Gritit (Western Illinois, 1987). Gritit is in his 12th season as head coach of the Huskies. Gritit has led the Huskies to a 62-79 overall/21-48 NCC record since 1993. In 2003, he led his wrestling squad to a ninth place finish at the NCAA Championships. Gritit joined the SCSU staff following four seasons at Valparaiso (IN) University. As the SCSU wrestling coach, Gritit has enjoyed success during the past eleven seasons. In 1995, Gritit guided SCSU's Gene Hanemann to an NCAA Division II national title at 158-pounds. In 1996 and 1997, Gritit coached Andy Reigstad to consecutive runner-up finishes at the NCAA meet in the 150-pound category. Gritit graduated from Western Illinois University in 1987 with a bachelor's degree in physical education. He received a master's degree in sport management/ athletic administration from WIU in 1988. Gritit and his wife Kim have two children, Nicole and James.

2004-2005 SCSU Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
11/13	Bison Open	9 a.m.
11/20	at Ryan Kaufman Open (Omaha, Neb.)	9 a.m.
12/5	at Northern Iowa Open	9 a.m.
12/11	SCSU INVITATIONAL	9 a.m.
1/8	at Augustana*	4 p.m.
1/14	MINN. STATE, MANK.*	7 p.m.
1/22	NORTHERN STATE	4 p.m.
1/28	MINN. STATE, MOORHEAD	7:30 p.m.
2/5	North Country Invite (@SJU)	9 a.m.
2/11	NEBRASKA-OMAHA*	6 p.m.
2/12	at St. John's	3 p.m.
2/17	at SW MN State	7 p.m.
2/27	at NCAA North Regional (@ SW MN State)	10 a.m.
3/11-12	at NCAA Division II Champ. (@ Omaha, Neb.)	11/10 a.m.

2004-05 St. Cloud State Roster

Name	Yr.	Hometown
Thomas Anderson	Fr	Belview (RW Valley)
Sean Beere	So	St. Paul (Johnson)
Blake Christopherson	So	Dent (Perham HS)
Seth Cole	Sr	Hillsdale, WI
Benjamin Fjoser	Fr	North Mankato
Michael Gritti	So	Cedar (St. Francis)
Brian Hanlon	Fr	Bismarck, ND
Matthew Jensen	So	Clive, IA (Valley)
Brent Johnson	Fr	Altoona, WI
Casey Johnson	Sr	Eau Claire, WI
Loren Johnson	So	Altoona, WI
Adam Landherr	RFr	Austin (Southland)
Tom Messerli	So	Lafayette (GFW)
Adam Minnette	Fr	New Prague
Bradley Nowak	Fr	Silver Lake
Eric O'Brien	Fr	Becker (Becker HS)
Mikal Peterson	So	Bemidji (Bemidji HS)
Lukas Pohlmeier	Sr	Winthrop (GFW)
Kevin Prindle	Fr	Amery, WI (Amery)
Nathan Schut	Jr	Monticello
Shane Tappe	So	Detroit Lakes
Zachary Thein	RFr	Sauk Rapids
Brandon Dick	Fr	St. Michael
Ben Monson	Fr	Spicer (Willmar HS)

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2004-2005 SCSU Wrestling Records and Results

<u>Name</u>	<u>125</u>	<u>133</u>	<u>141</u>	<u>149</u>	<u>157</u>	<u>165</u>	<u>174</u>	<u>184</u>	<u>197</u>	<u>HWT</u>
Thomas Anderson	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sean Beere	-	-	-	-	-	4-3	-	-	-	-
Blake Christopherson	-	-	-	-	0-4	-	-	-	-	-
Seth Cole	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brandon Dick	1-2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Benjamin Fjoser	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michael Gritti	-	-	-	-	-	-	0-2	-	-	-
Brian Hanlon	-	-	-	-	-	-	0-4	-	-	-
Matthew Jensen	-	-	0-2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brent Johnson	-	0-5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Casey Johnson	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loren Johnson	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Adam Landherr	-	-	-	-	5-1	-	-	-	-	-
Tom Messerli	-	-	1-2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Adam Minnette	-	-	-	1-2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ben Monson	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bradley Nowak	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0-4
Eric O'Brien	-	-	-	0-2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mikal Peterson	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-2	-
Lukas Pohlmeier	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-4	-	-
Kevin Prindle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nathan Schut	-	-	-	-	-	1-3	-	-	-	-
Shane Tappe	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Zachary Thein	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Team Results:

Top Individual Finishers:



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