



Wrestling tourney named for Cormier



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Daniel Cormier has experienced tremendous success and devastating defeat on and off the mat during his career as a six-time time national champion and two-time Olympic wrestler.

Cormier, who was chosen as the team captain for the U.S. 2008 Olympic wrestling team, won six straight national championships and the Bronze Medal at the 2004 Olympic Games in Greece.

"In recognition of Daniel's contribution to the

sport of wrestling and his success at Colby College and in the world arena, we have named the Nov. 1 wrestling tournament the Daniel Cormier Open," said CCC Head Coach Steve Lampe. "He will be attending the tournament with his wife Robin."

Cormier was widely recognized as the USA's best hope for a Gold Medal at the 2008 Beijing Games. However, his dream of winning came to an end when he was forced to withdraw from the competition at 96 kg (211.5 lbs.) because of health concerns.

Cormier will discuss details of the devastating

decision to withdraw from the competition and his future plans during the 6 p.m. break in tournament. He will also be available to talk with and provide photo opportunities for those who attend the tournament

"Daniel has an unique and inspiring message," said Coach Lampe. "I encourage everyone, especially young athletes, to attend this tournament and hear him discuss both the triumphs and tragedies that he has experienced."

The 29-year-old Lafayette, La., native was a three-time state prep champion. He led the CCC Trojan squad, coached by Lampe, to the NJCAA

championship in 1999 and was a national champion for two years. After graduating from Colby College, he continued his career at Oklahoma State University, where he earned second in the 2001 championships while receiving a degree in sociology.

Cormier has not lost to an American wrestler since 2003, earned his first World medal in 2007, and was honored with the John Smith Award as the country's top freestyle wrestler.

For more information about the tournament, call Lampe at 443-2220 or Rich Epp at 443-1994.

Riders, horses show well

Fourteen members of the Colby Community College International Horse Show Association team competed Oct. 4-5 at a Hunt Show hosted by the University of Colorado in Boulder.

"This was our first show of the season," said coach Shanda Draper. "Most of the riders were a little nervous the first day as it was the first IHSA show for many of them."

"The team was better prepared the second day and we had some excellent rides and high placings."

Team members and placings at the Boulder show:

Novice Fences, Show 1 — Kelly Maxwell (Manhattan) Reserve.

Novice Flat, Show 1 — April Brown (Platte City, Mo.) Reserve; Kelly Maxwell (Manhattan) fourth.

Beginning Walk-Trot-Canter, Show 1 — Riandi Louw (Colby) third.

Advanced Walk-Trot-Canter, Show 1 — Chelsey Darrow (Leavenworth) fourth Casey Daugherty (Menahga, Minn.) sixth.

Open Flat, Show 1 — Heather Temple (El Dorado) fifth.

Other competing were Megan Sitz (Topeka), Jennifer Malcom (Augusta) and Taylor Foster (Colorado Springs).

Walk/Trot, Show 2 — Jennifer Hartnett (Lenexa) first.

Beginning Walk-Trot-Canter, Show 2 — Neil Melton (Courtland) fourth.

Novice Flat, Show 2 — Kelly Maxwell (Manhattan), second.

Advanced Walk-Trot-Canter, Show 2 — Casey Daugherty (Menahga, Minn.) second; Chelsey Darrow (Leavenworth) fifth.

Open Flat, Show 2 — Heather Temple (El Dorado) fifth.

Intermediate Flat, Show 2 — Taylor Foster (Colorado Springs) Reserve.

Other competing were April Brown (Platte City, Mo.) and Melissa Vogt (Norton).

The western riders will compete Oct. 11-12 at the University of Nebraska at Lincoln.



Pat Erickson of the American Association of University Women and Shannon Titus helped Colby Community College student Adrian Gonzalez in completing a voter registration form. Erickson is the physical therapist program director at the college, and Titus is a member of the KNEA-SP campus organization.

Students get opportunity to register to become voters

Colby Community College students were given the opportunity to do more than just eat lunch when they visited the cafeteria last week. A voter registration drive, jointly sponsored by the American Association of University Women (AAUW) and the Kansas National Education Association-Student Program (KNEA-SP), enabled students to register to vote at a table set up in the Union.

KNEA-SP members also distributed "Register to Vote" reminders to all CCC students during the Wednesday 10:10 class period.

"Shannon Titus, KNEA-SP event planner, and I created the reminder forms and a cover letter to deliver to students," said sponsor Carolyn May. "The KNEA-SP members received very positive responses about this activity. They encouraged others to register to vote but did not try to persuade

anyone on how they were to cast their ballot."

Approximately 25 students completed voter registration forms on that day. Several others picked up forms to complete at a later time. The reminder forms included the web site to register on-line. That site is www.kssos.org/forms/elections/voter-registration.pdf.

"Registration may be done online but the form must be signed," said May. "If the signed form is brought to us at the H.F. Davis Library, we will take it to the court house. Shelly Harms, Thomas County Clerk, has requested that she receive the registration forms no later than Oct. 19."

Additional blank registration forms are available at the college library. The General Election will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 4.

Softball team works to fight breast cancer

October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Since the program began in 1985, mammography rates have more than doubled for women age 50 and older and breast cancer deaths have declined.

In recognition of this important initiative, members of the Colby Community College Lady Trojan softball team set up a table in the Student Union and distributed informational materials, pink bracelets and mints to students, faculty and staff members.

Although exciting progress has been made, there are still women who do not take advantage of early detection at all and others who do not get screening mammograms and clinical breast exams at regular intervals. Women age 65 and older are less likely to get mammograms than younger women, even though breast cancer risk increases with

age. In addition, women below the poverty level are less likely than women at higher incomes to have had a mammogram within the past two years.

Experts agree that if all women age 40 and older took advantage of early detection methods—mammography plus clinical breast exam—breast cancer death rates would drop as much as up to 30 percent.

The National Breast Cancer Awareness Month program is dedicated to increasing public knowledge about the importance of early detection of breast cancer. Fifteen national public organizations, professional associations and government agencies comprise the Board of Sponsors, who work together to ensure that the message is heard by thousands of women and their families.



Student Senate candidates Jeffrey Heller, Adrian Gonzalez and Neal Jeffrey campaigned for positions on the 2008-09 student government group. All three were elected.

Student Senate gets new members

Colby Community College students cast their ballots on Sept. 23 to elect members of the 2008-09 Student Senate. Voting was held following a pep rally which was organized to recognize all athletic and academic team members.

Students elected include Adrian Gonzalez (Groton, Conn.), Neal Jeffrey (Mankato), Ryan Baalman (Colby), Jessica Swanek (Doniphan, Neb.), Kimberly Kelly (Ada, Kan.), Levy Ryan (Russell), Ryan Edmundson (Brewster), Andrew

Starns (Brewster), Jeffrey Heller (Beloit), and Alyssa Lambert (McCook, Neb.). They join Student Senate President Kayla Dinkel (Hays), Secretary Kim Wessel (Dresden) and Treasurer Katy Hall (Rolla).

Student Senate sponsors a number of events during the school year including first-week activities, movie nights, dances and community-service projects.

Advisors for the group are Crystal Pounds and Patti Albers.

New assistant joins Colby Lady Trojans basketball coaches

Colby Community College has announced the selection of Fred Spencer as assistant coach for the Lady Trojan basketball team. He will assist first-year head coach Brady Jasper.

Spencer coached women's basketball at Riverview High School and Newsome High School in Tampa, Fla. Prior to accepting the job at CCC, Spencer was Senior Program Manager at the YMCA in Orlando, Fla., which served 2,000 youngsters.

He began his college basketball career at Chipola Junior College in Marianna, Fla., and continued to play basketball at Troy State in Troy, Ala.

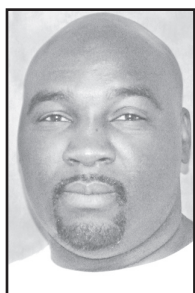
"Prior to finishing my degree

at Troy State, I returned to Tampa to assist my ailing grandmother," said Spencer. "I completed my degree in Human Services at Springfield College while living in Tampa."

After graduation, Spencer played professional basketball in Spain for four years.

"I really want to coach on the collegiate level," said Spencer. "People in the community of Colby have been very friendly. I am looking forward to assisting Coach Jasper this season and to recruiting for next year's team."

Spencer and his wife have three children ages 14, 12 and 7.



Fred Spencer



Colby High School juniors Caitlin Wright and Keesa Wright talk with CCC Admissions Counselor Doug Johnson during the College Planning Conference held Oct. 2 in the Student Union. Caitlin is the daughter of Marsha Wright. Keesa is the daughter of Ed and Kathi Wright of Colby. Over 40 post-secondary educational institutions and various branches of the Armed Forces were represented at the event. Twelve area high schools brought over 300 students to attend the conference, which was sponsored by the Kansas Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers.

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