

Editor-In-Chief
LANNY BRYANT
Managing Editor
CODY BRYANT
Assistant Editor
CAL JOHNSON
National Editor
DAN FICKEL
Design & Art Director
LADY BRYANT RUSS
Administrative Assistants
LANANN BRYANT
ANN BRYANT
SHANNON BRYANT WOLFE
JACKIE NEWMAN
Circulation Director
EVELYN BRYANT
Contributing Writer
BILL WELKER
Advertising/Promotion
LANNY BRYANT
National Office
109 Apple House Lane
Missoula, MT 59802
406-549-4448 FAX 406-549-4879
Wrestling USA (ISSN) 0199-6258

Wrestling USA, Inc. is published 12 times yearly as follows: twice a month in October, March and May; once a month in September, November, December, January, February and April.

Editorial Office: 109 Apple House Lane, Missoula, MT 59802, 1-406-549-4448. All contributions are welcome. Please enclose postage with manuscripts, illustrations and photographs submitted if they are to be returned. We assume no responsibility for unsolicited materials. All rights, in letters and photos sent to *Wrestling USA*, will be treated as unconditionally assigned for publication and copyright purposes. They are subject to *Wrestling USA's* unrestricted right to edit and to comment editorially. Printed in USA; entire contents © 2003 *Wrestling USA*; reprinting in whole or in part is forbidden except by written permission of publisher.

Subscriptions: One year (12 issues) \$31 in United States and Possessions. Bundle rate for 10-subscriptions, \$24. All other countries \$41 in US currency or international money order. Send to Subscription Department, Wrestling USA, 109 Apple House Lane, Missoula, MT 59802.

Send National Record Proposals: Cal Johnson, 465 Timber Lane, Friday Harbor, WA 98250, 360-378-6016.

Send All-American Nominations or Correspondence on High School and College Wrestling: Dan Fickel, 10757 Woodrun Dr., Strongsville, OH 44136, 440-878-1150 (phone and fax). E-Mail: dfickel@msn.com

Change of Address: Six weeks are required to change your mailing address. Forwarding postage is paid by you and lost copies cannot be replaced. To ensure delivery, send us your old and new address at least six weeks before moving. Include your new zip code.

Advertising: Rates available upon request. Contact Lanny Bryant at the National Office. 406-549-4448.

Postmaster: Send address changes to Wrestling USA, Inc., 109 Apple House Lane, Missoula, MT 59802. Periodicals postage paid at Missoula, MT 59802 and at additional offices.

PRINTED IN THE USA

E Mail: wrestling@montana.com

Web Site: <http://www.wrestlingusa.com>

Guest Editorial

By Mike Moyer

Executive Director, National Wrestling Coaches Association

On behalf of the National Wrestling Coaches Association Board of Directors, we would like to take this opportunity to thank the generous donors who have been supporting our Washington DC-based Title IX initiative. A lot has happened since we launched the lawsuit against the Department of Education in January, 2002.

To date, the national coaches associations of Track, Swimming, and Gymnastics have joined the NWCA in support of our lawsuit. Together, we have formed a new entity known as the College Sports Council (CSC). The CSC is based in Washington DC and will represent the interests of the college non-revenue sports. The endorsement from these other sport communities has been instrumental in helping our lead attorney, Larry Joseph, to successfully litigate this case. We are very optimistic that the courts will support our position.

Our lawsuit has also resulted in the Department of Education forming a Commission on Opportunity in Athletics to review the positive and negative effects of Title IX. This Commission will convene at four town hall meetings in the Fall to solicit input from people with specific expertise in several core athletic areas (College, Junior College, High School, Olympic, etc.). For the first time, we have been able to tell our side of the story on an equal playing field.

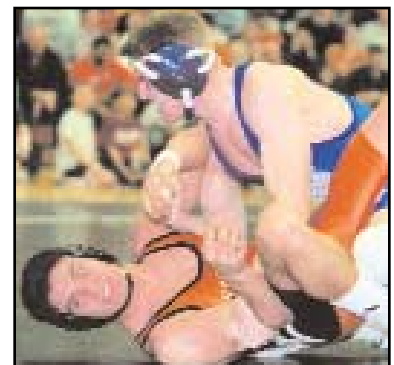
The national media has been phenomenal in helping us to get our message in front of the American public. Our lawsuit has been covered on most national television networks, national public radio, and many national and regional newspapers. Earlier "60 Minutes" did a feature on this initiative in December. Our success in this area is directly related to having the resources to engage a very competent Washington DC-based public relations firm.

This effort has unprecedented momentum behind it as evidenced by the fact we have raised approximately \$150,000 in contributions. This clearly shows the resolve of the wrestling community. That said, we will still need an additional \$50,000 - \$100,000 in contributions to offset anticipated public relations and legal fees.

If you have not already done so, please take a moment to make a contribution that we can earmark for this effort. You can do so by calling our office at 717-653-8009 or you can contribute online at www.nwcaonline.com. Our best and brightest student-athletes are counting on us. Thanks so much for your consideration of this request. Together, we will restore fairness to Title IX. 🇺🇸

Cover Photo

Michigan's 130 pound Jerry Salenbien, Dundee, scores a 4-2 victory over Nick Camp, Hudson, to secure a 27-22 dual victory and a share of the League Title for Dundee. Photo by David Schankin.



NATIONAL ACTION WRESTLING PHOTO CONTEST

Send your best action wrestling photos. The best photos will be recognized each issue. The outstanding color photo will be featured on the cover, poster or T-shirt. Cover photos to be submitted as 5x7 print.