

Bonaldi Ready to take the next step

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(1/16/2010) HILTON—The Annual Clayton Barnard Memorial wrestling tournament was held at Hilton High School on January15-16. Joe Bonaldi, who was one of three Greece Olympia wrestlers in the finals, maneuvered his way through the 135 pound weight class prior to securing a comfortable 5-1 decision over Corinth wrestler Tyler Nicholson.

"Me and my coaches thought that it would be me against Steve Maier from Spencerport in the finals, but my game plan did not change ounce I knew that I was wrestling Nicholson instead," said Bonaldi. "These are the types of matches that will get me ready for Super Sectionals this year. I've taken second place at Supers two years in a row and I feel as though this year is my year just as long as I keep working hard and take it one match at a time." Mike Gentelcore also captured a first place finish after posting a 16-0 tech fall over Kenmore West's Dylan Cauana, helping the Spartans to a sixth place finish with 93 points.

Finishing in eleventh place overall, North Rose-Wolcott's winningest wrestler, Greg Shove, was the Cougar's only champion on the weekend. Shove wrestled Thomas Davis form Fairport in the finals. Davis kept the match within striking distance until mid way through the second period when Davis attempted a double leg takedown. Shove countered with a cross-face headlock that put Davis flat on his back for the remainder of the period. From there, Shove cruised to a 5-1 decision. "I felt like my performance overall this weekend was good. A lot of the guys that I have wrestled this year have tried to stay away from me on the feet so I have to work on pushing the pace and working for takedowns," said Shove

The Spencerport Rangers posted six first place finishes scoring 263 points en route to their 13th-straight Barnard title. Senior Paul Morabito was named the tournament's most outstanding wrestler after scoring a 5-4 overtime victory over Medina wrestler Dominic Montesano. The Rangers also received victories from Geoff Brown at 103 pounds, Zack Haas at 140 pounds, Joe Inzana at 160 pounds, Cody Miller at 171 pounds, Brad Englert at 189 pounds, and Enzo Zagari at 215 pounds.