

Oswego finishes third

Brockport takes SUNY championship

For the fourth straight year, Brockport State emerged victorious from the SUNY Conference wrestling championship. The Championship, which ended early Saturday evening at Laker Hall, saw Oswego fans watch their favorites falter in the final round.

Jimmy Hauptfleisch, Oswego's popular 256-pound senior, was pinned after 7:15 by Brockport's 240-pound Mackey Tyndall in the heavyweight championship bout. Tyndall, who also pinned foes in the quarterfinal and semifinal rounds, was awarded the trophy for Outstanding Wrestler by Dr. Patrick Damore, Fredonia athletic director and the SUNY Conference president.

After a scoreless first period in which both wrestlers were warned for stalling, Hauptfleisch managed a 2-0 second period lead with an escape from the bottom position, and a foul charged to Tyndall. But Tyndall took him down at the end of the period, and locked the score at 2-2.

Tyndall escaped at the start of the third period for a 3-2 lead, then took Hauptfleisch down for 5-2, and was awarded a 6-2 lead on a stall call against Hauptfleisch. And in the final minute, Tyndall ended the tournament with a pin.

Earlier, Brockport's Dick Sippel defeated Oswego's Paul Westfield in the 177 final, 7-2, and Oneonta's Rick Van Noy upset Oswego's strong but



OSWEGO'S PAUL CORLEY was defeated 4-3 in overtime in the SUNY wrestling championship held in Laker Hall last weekend. Oswego placed third in the meet. (Photo by Jon Cummings)

unorthodox Paul Corley, 4-3 in overtime of the 167 championship. Corley, wrestling off his back, was the aggressor throughout but Van Noy countered his moves.

Corley was awarded four points in the third period on stall calls against Van Noy, who was too tired to stand when the referee raised his hand.

Other champions included Jerome Goodfellow at 118, Stephen Cella at 126, and Robert Branton at 150, all of Brockport; along with Cortland's Pete Rossi at 134, Rich Armstrong at 158, and Bob Menz at 190. Binghamton's Steve Cavayero won the 142 title.

Trailing Brockport in team standings were Cortland, Oswego, Binghamton, Albany, Oneonta, Potsdam, and Geneseo.

Despite missing out on gold medals, the Lakers still had some performances which qualified for the NCAA Division III championship at SUNY Binghamton, March 4-5. And all the starters get a second chance at post-season tourney competition this weekend in the New York State Invitational Championship at St. Lawrence.

Laker medalists included Bob Lange, third at 118; Marc Chacona, third at 150; Rich Lobdell, third at 158; and Andy Yokopovich, third at 190. All qualified for the NCAA, along with the Oswego runnersup--Corley, Westfield, and Hauptfleisch.