

9th Annual Dream Team Classic



Dream Team Reflections



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What a great weekend for Texas wrestling! The Dream Team visit has generated much discussion on the forums and around the state. It has generated press coverage (as usual, the reporter had it right and the headline editor had no clue) and internet coverage due to the web cast. Much of the coverage has had to do with the merits of sending the team to

Texas and whether or not the state was ready to compete with this elite group. As the Tournament Director, I would like to address these issues as well as comment on the weekend as a whole. I would also like to thank all of the people who gave much time and effort to make this happen and the sponsors, Cliff Keen Athletic and *Wrestling USA Magazine*, for giving us the opportunity to host this event. Much credit

also goes to Alan Rodger and Texas USA wrestling for underwriting the event and making it possible.

I believe that many observers of the Dream Team Classic are missing the true reason for the competition by focusing strictly on the competition itself. The very nature of the team virtually guarantees that no individual state has much chance of defeating them. The fact that the Dream