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# WRESTLING USA MAGAZINE LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

## Where Are They Now Series

By Cody Bryant, Managing Editor

Over the last couple of years, we have been running a series called "Where Are They Now?" which is comprised of statistics/results of the NCAA Wrestling Championships beginning in 1928 with information provided by wrestling historian, Ed Ewoldt. These featured articles have included profiles of legendary wrestlers like Earl McCready, 3x NCAA champion from Oklahoma State, Jack Riley, 2x NCAA champion from Northwestern, The Peerys - father Rex and sons Ed and Hugh, each 3x NCAA champions, Ed Gallagher, great Oklahoma State coach and Charlie McDaniel, 2x NCAA champion from Indiana. Other features include historical aspects of the sport of wrestling relevant to the particular year with information provided by Mark Palmer and Kristie Stubbs. These topics have looked at college wrestling uniforms and gear, 1932 Los Angeles Olympics and the roped-off wrestling rings at some colleges in the 1920s and 1930s.

One of the most amazing aspects of Ed's work is that it goes way beyond just the NCAA Division I Wrestling Championships. It wasn't until after Ed Ewoldt became the head wrestling coach in Wheaton, Illinois at Central High School that he got interested in wrestling history. He had gone down to the Illinois High School Association and they didn't have a real complete record on wrestling so he started to put things together. To date he has maintained a list of all the Illinois state high school qualifiers and place winners going back to 1937, their first state wrestling tournament. Ed then repeated the same for all of the Iowa state high school place winners as well. His collection of college wrestling data includes NCAA Division II and Division III, NAIA and Junior College All-American lists dating back to their respective starting dates (1964 Division II, 1974 Division III, 1958 NAIA and 1960 Junior College). Each individual All-American data includes their name, placement, year, weight class, school affiliation and their hometown. Each of the stories include Ed's vast collection of historical photos going back to the first NCAA Wrestling Championships in 1928.

A special thanks to Mark Palmer and Kristie Stubbs who have put their heart and soul into this project to help Ed's enormous collection of wrestling information come alive in the pages of *Wrestling USA Magazine*. For years to come, you can look forward to learning more about the history of wrestling from the coaches, wrestlers, colleges and events that have helped shape this great sport of wrestling into the twenty-first century.

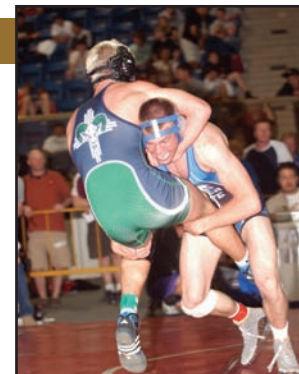
As Always, "Let's Be On The Go Together,"

*Cody Bryant*

*Trivia - Which Oklahoma State wrestler also became the youngest head coach right after graduation? The first person to email me (cody@wrestlingusa.com) with the correct answer will win a Wrestling USA T-Shirt.*

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2009 Rocky Mountain Nationals - 140 lbs. Hugh Hardman (Colorado) works for a double leg takedown against Chris Rubalcaba (New Mexico). Hardman decisioned Rubalcaba 5-4. Photo by Dean Vande Berg.



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