

CAMP STAFF



Craig Thurber - Director

Currently the head wrestling coach at Thiel College, Thurber is a Greenville native who brings coaching experience from Division I, II, III as well as the high school ranks. Thurber experienced success as a collegiate wrestler during his time at the University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown. He is a 1991 graduate of Greenville High School where he won a state championship in 1991 and was a runner-up in 1990 at 171 pounds. At Pitt-Johnstown he earned a bachelor of arts degree in social sciences in 1996. As a member of the Mountain Cat wrestling squad Thurber was a three-time NCAA Division II all-American, finishing fifth in 1993, sixth in 1994 and was the runner-up in 1995 at 177 pounds. He won the Gorriaran Memorial Trophy at the 1995 Division II National Championships for achieving the greatest number of falls in the least amount of time. Thurber has led Thiel to six-straight Presidents' Athletic Conference (PAC) Championships and has taken eleven wrestlers to the Division III National Championships with four of them earning All-America honors.



Jeff Linn

Linn is in his seventh season as an assistant with the Thiel wrestling program after a great career as a Tomcat. Linn graduated from Thiel in 2002 as a two-time NCAA Division III national qualifier (1999, 2002) and earned All-American honors the 2002 National Championships with his seventh-place finish in the 141-pound weight class. Linn won the Midwest Regional Championship in 2002 to earn the invitation to the national championships. In his three-year career, Linn earned three letters and compiled a 75-13 overall record. He was a three-time PAC Champion and two-time champion at Messiah College's Petrofes Invitational.



Alec Miller

Currently a freshman on the Thiel wrestling team, Miller worked as an assistant with the Tomcats in 2007-08. He is a 2005 Grove City High School graduate and posted a 117-30 high school record while wrestling to four-straight District qualifiers and three Regional qualifiers.



Rob Miller

A sophomore with the Thiel wrestling team, Miller is a two-time national qualifier at 125 lbs. The Transfer, Pa. native has compiled a, 54-11, career mark with the Tomcats through two seasons.



Corey Brown

Brown became the first Thiel freshman to earn All-America status in 2009, doing so in the 133 lbs division. He compiled an outstanding 24-7 record for the 'Cats in his rookie season, and was honored as the Presidents' Athletic Conference's most valuable performer at the '09 league championships.



Jody Strittmatter - Featured Clinician

Currently an assistant coach at the University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown, Strittmatter won Division II titles at 118 lbs. in 1998 and 125 lbs. in 1999 before transferring to the University of Iowa where he was a two-time NCAA Division I All-America selection. He placed third in 2000 and was the National Runner-Up in 2001. Following the 1999 National Tournament, Strittmatter was named the tournament's Outstanding Wrestler on his way to leading the Mountain Cats to their second National Team Championship in three years. Along with his All-American honors at Iowa, Strittmatter was a two-time Big Ten Champion and a member of the Hawkeyes' NCAA National Championship Team in 2000. Strittmatter, a two-time NWCA All-Academic Team selection at Pitt-Johnstown, earned his degree in Biology.



John Strittmatter - Featured Clinician

A three-time All-America wrestler at the University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown, Strittmatter was a member of two Mountain Cat NCAA Division II national championship teams (1996, 1999). Individually, he was an NCAA champion during the 1999 season and was a runner-up in his class during the 1996 campaign. He also earned Academic All-America status during his Mountain Cat career. Strittmatter was a place-winner at University Nationals and is currently a coach with the Young Guns Wrestling Club.

Chris Como

Como is a former NCAA Division II All-American at the University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown. He is currently a systems analyst from Highmark Insurance in Pittsburgh and is the head wrestling coach at Burrell High School.

Isaac Greeley

Greeley is a former NCAA Division II two-time All-American at the University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown. In 1998 he was a national runner-up as well as a team member on the 1999 national championship team. He is currently a chiropractic sports physician and assistant coach at Burrell High School.

Casey Taylor

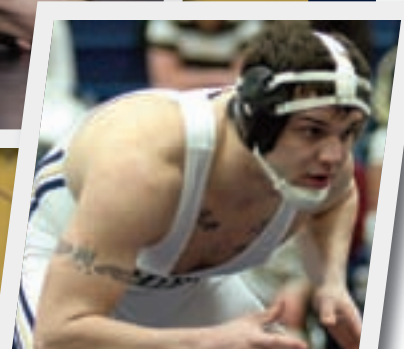
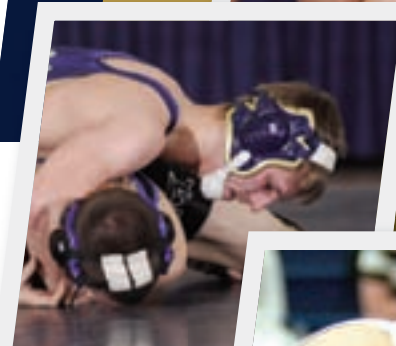
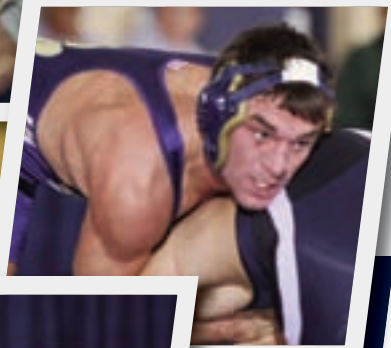
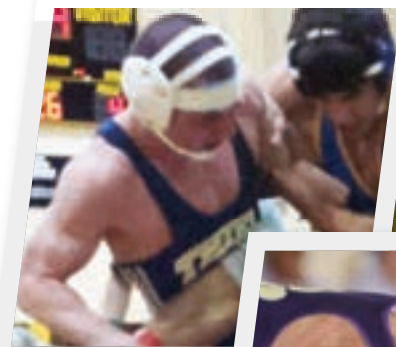
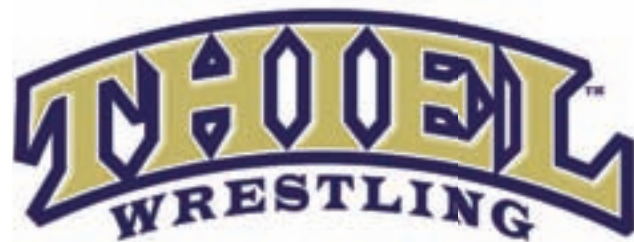
Taylor is a former Thiel College wrestler who qualified for the national championships in 1997. He was a three-time PIAA state champion in three different weight classes, compiling a scholastic record of 123-10. Taylor is currently the assistant wrestling coach at Reynolds High School and also works at Keystone Adolescent Center and was a 2007 inductee into the Pennsylvania Wrestling Hall of Fame.

Michael Menold

Menold is a former Thiel College wrestler who qualified for the national championships in 1994 and earned Scholar All-American honors that same season. Currently he is a history teacher, the athletic director and head wrestling coach at Jamestown High School.

Jon Fry

Fry was a four-year starter for head coach Don Henry at Gannon University. He was a two-time team captain and Scholar All-American in both 1997 and 1998. Fry is currently a 6th grade teacher at nearby Jamestown Elementary School.



COMPETITION CAMP
July 20-23, 2009

2009 THIEL WRESTLING CAMP



General Information

The Thiel College wrestling camp is held on the College's campus in Greenville, Pa. It is a commuter camp that runs from July 20-23 for wrestlers in grades 7-12.

The object of the camp is to help each wrestler gain the knowledge, technical skills and work ethic to become better prepared for competition. Instruction in all phases of wrestling will be covered. The camp will feature a variety of clinicians giving advice on nutrition, weight control, conditioning, strength training and mental preparation.

Those attending the camp are expected to attend each day and follow regulations set by the College and the camp staff. Any violators of regulations are subject to dismissal from the camp without refund.

Camp Subjects

1. Orientation and basic fundamentals from all positions
2. Offense and defense from the neutral position
3. Breakdowns, controlling your opponent & pinning combinations
4. Escapes, counters and reversals
5. Basic mat strategy

Cost

The cost of the camp is \$85.00. This includes a camp T-shirt and excellent wrestling instruction. A \$50.00 deposit is required with the application. To guarantee proper T-shirt size, please have the application in by July 6.

Facilities

The camp will be held in Rissell-Beeghly Gymnasia multi-purpose room. Additional activities will also be held in the Beeghly Gymnasium as well as at Alumni Stadium.

What to Bring

Wrestling gear (shorts, t-shirt, socks, wrestling shoes), and gym shoes.

Meals

Water and sports drinks will be provided throughout the session.

Check in/Schedule

Check in will be from 3:15 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. on Monday, July 20 at the Rissell-Beeghly Gymnasia lower lobby. Orientation will follow at 3:30 p.m. in the Rissell-Beeghly Gymnasia multi-purpose room. Regulations and camp format will be discussed.

Parents are to drop campers off between 3:15 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. each day and pick up the campers promptly at 6:30 p.m.

Daily Itinerary

- 3:30 - 3:45 p.m. Warm-up
- 3:45 - 5:00 p.m. Technique and Live Situations
- 5:00 - 5:30 p.m. Weight Training or Conditioning
- 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Technique and Live Situations

Cancellations

If a registered wrestler cannot attend the camp, please call Coach Thurber at 724-589-2814 or contact him via e-mail at cthurber@thiel.edu prior to July 6 for a refund. No refunds will be given after July 16.



2009 Thiel College Wrestling Camp Registration

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Daytime Phone _____
 Evening Phone _____
 Camper's school _____ Grade in 2009-10 _____
 Age _____ Weight _____ T-shirt size _____

A \$50.00 deposit is required with each application. Balance is due on check-in day. Total camp fee is \$85.00. Please make checks payable to Thiel College Wrestling.

I give permission for my child, _____, to attend the Thiel College Wrestling Camp and hereby authorize the directors of the camp to act for me according to their best judgement in any emergency requiring medical attention, and I agree to bear the expense of such procedures. I understand the College and the camp are not responsible for an accident or injury.

 Parent's signature and date

 Medical insurance company

 Medical insurance number

Send registration and \$50.00 deposit to:

Thiel College Wrestling Camp
75 College Avenue
Greenville, PA 16125

Do you know anyone who might be interested in attending this year's camp? Please send a camp brochure to:

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____