Colunga wins 182 weight class, to wrestle at state this weekend

Hoopeston Area wrestler Abel Colunga is one step closer to a state title.

Saturday, the sophomore took first place in the 182 lb. class at IHSA sectionals in Olympia.

Colunga (41-7) won over sophomore Evan Antonio (31-17) of Colfax with a fall at 2:33.

Colunga received a bye in the first round and won by fall at 4:31 in the second round over Luke Sauder (23-18) of Tremont. In the semis, he dispatched Calen Ragle (29-12), of Gibson City-Melvin Sibley to the consolation bracket, winning by fall at 4:17.

Ragle went on to claim third place, defeating sophomore Rylee Edwards, of Westville, (44-7) with a fall at 3:09.

Justin Jones, (36-12), who qualified for sectionals at 145, won by a 13-20 decision over Carson Tippie (Mercer County) and won by forfeit over Levi Leitner, of Tremont, be-

See WRESTLE on other side

Photo by Carl Ankenbrand

Abel Colunga, Hoopeston Area sophomore, is declared the winner of the 182 lb. class at Saturday’s IHSA wrestling sectionals at Olympia. He will wrestle weekend for a state title.
Lady Cornjerkers end season with trips to regional and sectional bowling tournaments

On Saturday, Feb. 8, the Lady Cornjerkers traveled to Decatur’s County Time Lanes for the IHSA regional tournament.

Led by seniors Jaylyn Linder, Kayla Goble, Alyssa Yaden, junior Emma Glotzbach and freshman Riley Miller, the girls started with a fine 834 game with balanced scoring from Linder, Yaden and Goble, 188, 186, 183, the girls trailed Streator with a 200 game and a 388 series. Glotzbach’s 198 was right behind and the Cornjerkers took over first place.

Game 3 saw Streator take back the top spot with a tournament high 944 behind Anna Jaworski 238 game. Not to be shut out, the Cornjerkers clawed back in games 4 and 5, taking the lead. Linder took over the top individual lead with a 961, followed by Goble with 865 and Glotzbach, 847.

Game 6 saw the Jerkers increase their lead, winning their first ever bowling regional in the current format, 5008-4881, over Streator.

The Jerkers were well-represented in the individuals, as Linder was champion with a 1119 score. Glotzbach was fourth at 1057, Goble fifth at 1056 and Yaden 21 with a 920. Glotzbach had high game for the girls for the day at 210.

Advancing to the East Moline Sectional were Hoopeston, Streator, Taylorville and Pana. The girls traveled to the sectional, where the top four teams advance, as well as the top 5 individuals.

In game 1, the Jerkers bowled against eventual champ Joliet West. A slow start saw Linder lead the way with a 183, Miller’s 180 and Glotzbach’s 176 put the team in sixth place. The girls continued to struggle in game 2, as they fell to seventh place.

Game 5 saw the best scores of the day. Goble’s 245, Glotzbach’s 213, Yaden’s 179 and Linder’s 174 set up for a 923 score.

The Jerkers finished game 6 in seventh place, falling just short of advancing. Goble finished 11th with 1131; Emma Glotzbach 14th at 1093; Linder 21st at 1043; Yaden at 923 and Miller with 879.

“If it’s going to be tough to replace these seniors, as they have bowed since seventh grade,” said Coach Doug Wagner.

The girls thank CUSD 11 and Brian Hodge for getting them the chance to represent their school, he added.

Services set for Vicki Haugen

DANVILLE—Final arrangements have been announced for Vicki L. (Taylor) Haugen, long-time area economic development leader and cheerleader for Vermilion County.

Ms. Haugen died at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 11, 2020.

She spent 38 years supporting the growth of Vermilion County in both workforce and economic development.

Services will be private and by invitation only. Donations are requested to be made to the OSF Cancer Center Foundation in her honor.

Sunset Funeral Home and Cremation Center, 3940 N Vermilion St., Danville, is handling arrangements.

Weather


For real time Hoopeston weather, visit justthefacts.net/weather.