

Three Stars of the Week

Jeannie Boehm, Senior



Boehm was selected to participate in the 2016 McDonalds All-American game in Chicago on March 30. She is currently the 81st ranked player in the nation, according to ESPN.

Connor Cook, Senior



Cook, a senior, helped New Trier qualify for sectionals. He averaged a 22.3 over four games with a 26.3 high at regionals at Classic Bowl in Morton Grove.

Will Douthit, Junior



Douthit, a junior goalie, held Loyola to a single goal in a 3-1 win on Jan. 9. He is 19-5 in games he's started in goal for New Trier.

NT wrestling holds on for win against Evanston

Sophomore Andrew Moy secured the win for New Trier

by Arjun Thakkar

In the final match of the wrestling meet on Friday, Jan. 8 against Evanston, New Trier Wrestling held on for a 35-34 win.

It was a close competition for the New Trier wrestling team. Evanston was closing the gap on New Trier's lead and had a chance to win the meet in the last match between sophomore wrestler Andrew Moy and Evanston's Jack McCliesch.

"In order to win, we needed Andrew to not get pinned. Both guys were on their backs, and we weren't sure what was going to happen in that last match," recalled sophomore wrestler Jack Tangen. Although Moy lost his match 11-9, he successfully did not get pinned, so Evanston couldn't claim the six points to win.

Varsity Wrestling Coach Marc Tadelman, who has been coaching wrestling at New Trier for seven years, was pleased with the team's performance but also acknowledged the team had room to improve.

"This was one of the closer meets that I've been involved with as a coach. I was happy that we were able to win, but we've certainly got some areas that we can improve upon in the future. It wasn't a perfect meet, but our guys really gave a good team effort and we were able to get the win."

Senior wrestler Willem Kupets



Senior Joey Modica was a key contributor in the Trevians' one point victory over Evanston on Jan. 8 | Varsity Views

also noted that the Trevians didn't have any heavyweight wrestlers in the 285 weight class, so they had to forfeit the match and give Evanston the equivalent of a free pin, or 6 points.

Other wrestlers also had successful performances on Friday. Willem Kupets faced Evanston's Izzy Fox and won by injury default. "I got a takedown on [Izzy Fox] and he got a bad leg cramp...the time ran out before he could choose to continue, so I won the match. Still, I would've liked to have a full match with him."

Not all the Trevians were able to win their matches. Tangen wrestled David Rivera-Kohr, who is ranked seventh in the state. Rivera-Kohr took down Tangen seven times, and even though he lost the match 15-5, he was still glad that he didn't let Evanston get any additional points.

Sophomore wrestler Russell Sanchez also had a tough match. He took a knee to the left side of his face, leaving a significant cut right above his left eye. He ended up losing the match 7-4.

"The match started out just fine," said Sanchez, "but I slowly became less and less aggressive. This has really showed me that I need to stay aggressive throughout my matches and set-up my moves more effectively."

Before the meet, Coach Tadelman said that the Trevs would have to work hard to win. "There has always been an intense rivalry between Evanston and New Trier, making this meet one of the biggest of the season. Even before I was here, we've generally beaten them, but they've been gradually improving," he said.

Sanchez also foresaw the conflict he would face as a new member of the varsity team. He said, "I did pretty well last year, but jumping up to varsity has been a huge leap. Even though we've beaten Evanston for a while, it'll be a challenge for all the sophomore varsity wrestlers."

The Trevian wrestlers also travelled to Waubonsie Valley on Saturday, Jan. 9, for a Quad meet, where New Trier wrestled Waubonsie Valley, Yorkville, Lemont and Marmion. The Trevians lost to Waubonsie Valley and Marmion 46-30 and 52-30 respectively. Tadelman said, "We definitely could've done a better job in certain areas. We're always looking to improve, and we really learned a lot since we faced some of the best teams in the state."

Girls basketball wins Dundee-Crown tournament

They did it without standout Senior guard Haley Greer

by Cammy Wray

The New Trier Girls Basketball team has taken off running with their recent wins at the Dundee-Crown tournament, beating every team that competed there. This was the fourth time that New Trier has won the tournament.

New Trier started the season strongly, with a 14-3 winning streak. However, the team hit rocky ground with a tournament in Arizona. Prior to the tournament, the girls had beaten several conference teams, including Niles West and Waukegan.

New Trier went into the tournament confident, but came out feeling unsure about their national ranking. Head Coach Teri Rodgers said this was a learning experience for the girls, teaching them what they need to do to better prepare themselves for the next game.

"We didn't win, but we learned a ton of stuff there," Rodgers said. After coming back from beating Evanston by 14 points, they were worried about how they would be able to come back and win again after Arizona.

One of the key players, Haley Greer, was not at the tournament due to an injury. This hampered due to the team's ability in the tournament. She is one of their starters and the whole team agrees that it was hard to play without her. They're confident that when they get her back, they will be back on a winning streak again.

"She definitely is a key player for our team, but once we get her

back we will be stronger than ever," says junior Katy Symantz.

Not having Haley Greer at the most recent games has been an inconvenience, but it hasn't made the team's games impossible to win. The girls played four different teams in the Dundee tournament. Two of the biggest wins were against Dundee by 17 points and Crystal Lake South by 29.

After coming back from their losing streak in Arizona, the team has their energy back and are ready for the rest of the season. Symantz feels that these past few wins were important for the team's spirit. "Coming back home to rebound and to win the tournament for only the fourth time in New Trier history was really meaningful and important for our team," Symantz said.

Before the Arizona tournament, the team beat the Evanston Wildkits by 14 points. "Rivalry games are the most fun because it gives you an opportunity to beat a school that thinks they're better than you," junior Margaret Hughes said about playing Evanston.

Rivalry games are always intense, and the next one will be the Evanston double header. This game will be on February 5th, and the team has expectations of an exciting playoff with a close game. Another big rival game that is coming up is a tournament against Meris, a very talented team.

Rodgers has been training the girls to defend their title as an amazing team. "Obviously all of our conference games are big. We're 5-0 in conference, and one of our goals is to win at conference," Rodgers said.

She selected her team based on a week of grueling tryouts, testing each player for both physical and mental



The Trev's next game will be at Glenbrook South on Jan. 22 | Varsity Views

ability. She has been preparing her squad with intense practices and hard workouts.

The girls basketball team has several games lined up, but there are a few that New Trier students should be sure to go see. "I would say games

against Evanston and Glenbrook South," Hughes said.

This season has a lot more in store for the girls basketball team, with no doubt many more wins to come.