

Congratulations to winter sport athletes

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One season slowly fades into memory as another begins. The constant circle of life and sport.

Area teams did well in basketball this year, at least in our covered schools, and there was even a state championship in wrestling. Several basketball teams are still in contention in NM, though Arizona has finished their tournament.

Sports start young though, and I will doff my cap to those just beginning their long journeys in physical exertions.

Let's open with the members of Stars and Stripes Wrestling, known as the Gladiators at the recently held State Championships.

The Gallup Club came back with three top awards, three for second place, one for third and two for fourth. First place winners were Elias Martinez (6U-49 pounds), Rhys Sellers (12U-70 pounds), and Dominic Gutierrez (12U-165 pounds). Second place went to Gage Sellers (8U-50 pounds), Sean Matt Garcia (12U-82 pounds), and Yele Aycock (12U-106 pounds). Israel Olguin (6U-55 pounds) took third in his division, while Tyler Griego (10U-89 pounds) and Drake Santiago (12U-98 pounds) both had fourth place finishes.

The students at Gallup Judo traveled to Phoenix for the Arizona State Open Judo Championships, but word had not been received from Miguel Garcia on the outcomes of those matches.

Now it's time for more outdoor pursuits: baseball, softball, tennis and track. I won't be working on my tan, but I may still see you in the bleachers!

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