900 competitors flock OCC to vie for national judo title



Carol Pappes of New Jersey is poised to throw Wyandotte's Patty LaBeau (415) to the mat in the womens division action Saturday.

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More than 900 competitors participated in the tournament, one of three qualifying tournaments used to select the United States Olympic Judo team. Winners were determined in men's, women's and masters (over 30 years of age) divisions.

Among the competitors was Edward Libby — the bronze medalist in the 1984 Olympics in Los Angeles. He was victorious in the 135 pound division last weekend.

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Robert Berland, who captured a silver medal in the L.A. Games, wasn't as fortunate. He was beaten by Tommy Martin in the 175 pound class.

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THE BEST local linish was posted by Owosso's Dun Vondrasek, who won the masters age 45 to 50 bracket. His daughters, Teresa and Kathleen, also fared well, tying for third place in the women's open division. Teresa, a former standout on Oakland University's basketball squad, is a member of the Women's World Judo Team. Another Vondrasek, Mathew (Don's son), fin-sixed (itth in the open 165 pound class. Other local finishers were Detroit's Bruce Landers, who placed third in the mean open division, and Roseville's Jun Robichaurd, who took a second in the women's masters division (35-40 bracket).

ci): of the tournament's highlights was the performance of Colorado Springs Leo White. The army capitain captured his seventh consecutive national title in the heavyweight division.



Olympian Bob Burland (top, roughing up Hector Estevez of Miami) won a silver medal for the U.S. in Los Angeles but he was upset Saturday at OCC.









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