HAMILTON, N.Y. – Cortland finished second out of nine teams at the Colgate University Class of ‘32 Invitational. The host school won the meet with 198 points, followed by Cortland with 180, St. Lawrence with 123 and Hamilton with 65. Of Cortland’s 29 performers at the meet, 21 posted season and/or career-best efforts.

Sophomore Dave Neal (Port Ewen/Kingston) qualified for the ECAC Division III Championships with a winning season-best time of 1:57.24 in the 800 meters. He actually ran a second faster over the final 400 meters of the race than in the first 400. Neal also turned in a leg in 50.6 seconds in Cortland’s second-place 4x400-meter relay finish (3:25.16) that also met ECAC standards. Freshman Nick Wetherby (Olean) led off that race, followed by junior Jason Manenkoff (Garnerville/North Rockland), Neal and freshman Andy Cloke (Corning/Notre Dame). Cortland gained victories from sophomore Tyler Gutierrez (Waverly) in the pole vault (14’ 6”) and freshman Matt Steger (Webster/Webster-Schroeder) in the triple jump (42’ 11”). Both performances were ECAC qualifiers, with Gutierrez turning in two good efforts on attempts at an NCAA qualifying height in the pole vault.

Three Red Dragons finished second in their events with ECAC-qualifying times. Wetherby finished the 200 meters in 22.54 seconds, senior Dave Borg (Greenlawn/Harborfields) was clocked at 8:55.24 in the 3,000 meters and junior Chuck Terry (Albany/CBA) finished the 5,000 meters in 15:17.23, improving about 30 seconds from his last outing. Also reaching ECAC times were Cloke in the 5,000 meters (third place, 15:26.76), Manenkoff in the 200 meters (third place, 22.90) and the 4x800-meter relay team of junior Ed Crowley (Valatie/Ichabod Crane), freshman Jim Williams (Hinckley/Holland Patent), freshman Jim Starkey (Hamburg/St. Francis) and Borg (second place, 8:14.02).

Cortland also finished second in three other events. Junior Kason O’Neil (Scotia/Scotia-Glenville) was runnerup in the pole vault (12’ 5.5”) behind Gutierrez, freshman Dave Hock (Elma/Iroquois) was second in the long jump (21’ 2.5”) and the foursome of sophomore Shaun Horan (Clifton Park/Shenendehowa), freshman Gene Borzendowski (Holland Patent), sophomore Tim Waples (Suffern) and freshman Tom DeRusso (East Berne/Berne-Knox-Westerlo) finished second in the distance medley relay (11:24.47).

**Cortland Highlights at Colgate Class of ’32 Invitational; Feb. 7, 2004**

### 800 meters
- Dave Neal, 1st, 1:57.24 (ECAC qualifier)

### Pole Vault
- Tyler Gutierrez, 1st, 14’ 6” (ECAC qualifier)
- Kason O’Neil, 2nd, 12’ 5.5”

### Triple Jump
- Matt Steger, 1st, 42’ 11”
- Dave Hock, 5th, 40’ 6.25”

### 200 meters
- Nick Wetherby, 2nd, 22.54 (ECAC qualifier)
- Jason Manenkoff, 3rd, 22.90 (ECAC qualifier)

### Long Jump
- Dave Hock, 2nd, 21’ 2.5”

### 3,000 meters
- Dave Borg, 2nd, 8:55.24 (ECAC qualifier)

### 5,000 meters
- Chuck Terry, 2nd, 15:17.23 (ECAC qualifier)
- Andy Cloke, 3rd, 15:26.76 (ECAC qualifier)

### 4x400-meter relay
- Nick Wetherby, Jason Manenkoff, Dave Neal, Andy Cloke
- 2nd, 3:25.16 (ECAC qualifier)

### 4x800-meter relay
- Ed Crowley, Jim Williams, Jim Starkey, Dave Borg
- 2nd, 8:14.02 (ECAC qualifier)

### Distance Medley Relay
- Shaun Horan, Gene Borzendowski, Tim Waples, Tom DeRusso
- 2nd, 11:24.47

### High Jump
- Nicky Cuevas, tied 3rd, 5’ 10.5”
- Matt Steger, tied 3rd, 5’ 10.5”

### Mile
- John Lynch, 3rd, 4:27.11