



## Injured Washington County athlete walks for diploma

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AMHERST -- Quite a story out of Western New York.

Dan Bishop is a college wrestler from Whitehall badly injured during a match earlier this year.

His neck was damaged and there were fears he might never walk again.

But on Sunday at graduation ceremonies at the University at Buffalo, Bishop was able to join the rest of the class of 2010 in walking across

the stage to accept his diploma.

"I knew one way or another, they were going to have to drag me across the stage or push me in a wheelchair," Bishop said. "I just set a goal that I was going to walk across on my own and I'm just lucky to be able to achieve that goal."

Bishop said this was the best mother's day gift he could ever present.

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