

Mine cave-in kills 1; 4 rescued

LINCOLN COLLIERY, Pa. — A mine cave-in killed one man and briefly trapped four others Tuesday, a spokeswoman for the state Department of Environmental Resources said.

The body of Clayton Knorr, 21, of Gordon was recovered from the Rothermel Coal Co. mine about 3 p.m., and he was pronounced dead by the Schuylkill County deputy coroner about 45 minutes later, state police Trooper Thomas J. Slane said.

Susan Woods, a DER spokeswoman in Harrisburg, said the mine roof had apparently collapsed.

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Rookie coal miner dead in cave-in

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One of the miners who escaped, Mark Tielman, 23, said he and Knorr received no safety instructions before entering the shaft at 7 a.m., even though the jobs were their first in a mine.

The cave-in occurred after an explosive charge was detonated in the 20-foot-wide shaft, Tielman said.
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