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## Diane Frost To Serve As NCHSAA President For 2007-08 Academic Year

CHAPEL HILL-Dr. Diane Frost, superintendent of the Asheboro city schools, will serve as president of the North Carolina High School Board of Directors for the 2007-08 academic year.

Frost will serve as the Association president for her one-year term, replacing Vann Pennell, the principal of South Brunswick High School. Pennell will serve in the role of past president.

Dr. Bill Harrison, superintendent of the Cumberland County schools, will be vice-president for the coming year.

Dr. Frost has been superintendent in Asheboro since 2000 but has served in a variety of capacities in that district since 1991. Prior to that, she had worked for the State Department of Public Instruction for a year and taught math at Ragsdale and Eastern Guilford High Schools from 1986 to 1990.

Before coming to North Carolina, the graduate of the University of Nebraska taught high school math and coached both golf and volleyball at two different Nebraska high schools for a total of nine years.

She earned her doctorate at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro in curriculum and instruction in 1995.

In community affairs, she has been active with the Asheboro/Randolph Chamber of Commerce, the Asheboro Rotary Club and is an elder at the First Presbyterian Church. She has also served as chairperson of the Ferree Foundation Board of Trustees and on the Randolph Hospital Planning Board.

New members of the Board include Brooks Matthews, principal at Triton High School, representing Region 4 and 3-A; Chris Norman, athletic director at Shelby High School, representing Region 6 and 2-A; Bobby Guthrie of the Wake County Schools, representing Region 3 and 4-A; Stewart Hobbs, superintendent of Sampson County schools representing Region 2 and 1-A; Patti Hamler, principal of Pasquotank High School, representing Region 1 and 2-A; Chris Skabo, athletic director at West Wilkes High School, representing Region 7 and 1-A; Page

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Carver, principal at Ashbrook High School, representing Region 6 and 3-A; and Teresa Coleman, athletic director at West Bladen High School, representing Region 4 and 2-A.

Board members are recommended by the NCHSAA's Nominating Committee, based on the requirements of the Association's constitution and by-laws. The member schools at eight regional meetings select nominees for consideration across the state, then s individuals are selected by the Nominating Committee to fill the available slots from among those nominee. As is customary, the membership approved the new members at the Annual Meeting in May.

"We believe that we will continue to have outstanding leadership," said NCHSAA executive director Charlie Adams. "We certainly look forward to Diane Frost stepping into the role as president and we feel sure that she will give us the same sort of great direction we have gotten from previous presidents. Diane has certainly been a valuable member of the Board, is an excellent thinker and has a very solid athletic background.

We are also really excited about the caliber of people who will be joining the Board of Directors, which should help us to maintain an outstanding Board to serve our membership."

**RECORD BREAKERS?** Don't forget, if you have any potential state or national listings for the record book, there is a form on line to send that information for consideration. Help us to make our state and national books as inclusive and complete as possible. Any questions call Rick Strunk at (919) 962-7786. And don't forget to check the latest version of the state record book on line!

## Inaugural NCHSAA Student Services Schools Of The Year Selected For Recognition

CHAPEL HILL—Four schools, one in each classification, have been named winners of the inaugural North Carolina High School Athletic Association Student Services School of the Year Awards.

Ayden-Grifton High School in the 1-A classification, North Wilkes among 2-A schools, Greenville's D.H. Conley in the 3-A class and Matthews David Butler in 4-A earned the honor for the 2006-2007 academic year.

The new award is designed to recognize schools for exemplary involvement and dedication to the NCHSAA Student Services program. That would include but would not be limited to such activities as the Student-Athlete Summer Institutes (SASI), NCHSAA Coach-Captain Retreats, coaches' education programs, DREAM Team (Daring to Role Model Excellence as Athletic Mentors) or Peer-Athlete Team Helpers (PATH).

Personnel involved with the Student Services program, such as directors of the Student-Athlete Summer Institutes (SASI) and facilitators working with the NCHSAA Coach-Captain Retreats, could nominate schools for the award. A special committee made the final selection.

Each of the four schools will receive a special award as well as a cash stipend of \$400. The winning schools will also provide a poster or portfolio illustrating their Student Services activities to be displayed at the NCHSAA regional meetings later in September.

### Athletic Directors Convene At Breakfast At NCCA Clinic

GREENSBORO—The North Carolina Athletic Directors Association held its 23rd annual summer breakfast during the week of the North Carolina Coaches Association clinic at the Greensboro Coliseum.

President Roy Turner of Ashley High School in Wilmington called on a number of speakers during the course of the program.

Several speakers, including NCHSAA assistant executive director Mark Dreibelbis, explained about the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Coaches Education program.

Roger Dixon reported for the organization's awards committee and several athletic directors were recognized for their longevity. Ronnie Chavis, Bob Dailey and Dean Monroe were recognized for 20 years of service while Scott Barringer was honored for 25 years.

Bruce Whitehead, executive director of the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association, reported for the national organization and also explained about a DVD on hazing that the NIAAA has produced that is an excellent tool for schools.

A professional development opportunity hosted by East Carolina University was also highlighted (see elsewhere in this Bulletin).

Dr. Diane Frost, superintendent of the Asheboro City Schools and president of the NCHSAA for 2007-08, introduced the nine members of the Association staff in attendance and then addressed the athletic directors about the goals she sees for the NCHSAA in the coming year.

The group broke into eight regional meetings later and then the NCADA Board of Directors convened.

General Sports Venue and the NCHSAA sponsored the event.

"The Student Services program prepares student-athletes, coaches and other school personnel as mentors, role models and leaders," said Mark Dreibelbis, assistant executive director of the NCHSAA and director of the Student Services program. "These efforts truly do make a difference, and each school recognized here has exemplified the best of our program in developing outreach activities in their schools and communities. School-initiated projects promote positive values, respect, teamwork and sportsmanship, and we are very proud of what these schools have done."

### NCHSAA President Outlines Focus For 2007-08 Year

GREENSBORO—North Carolina High School Athletic Association president Dr. Diane Frost has outlined some of her ideas for the coming year.

Dr. Frost is superintendent of the Asheboro City Schools and served as vice-president of the NCHSAA Board of Directors last year. She made her remarks at the North Carolina Athletic Directors Association breakfast held during the week of the North Carolina Coaches Association clinic in July.

Dr. Frost noted that there are three areas that she believes the NCHSAA should focus on for the coming year, including realignment, relationships and sportsmanship.

The NCHSAA president noted that realignment, as it always is when it comes up, is a major item for the organization this year. She noted that an excellent leadership team was in place for the realignment committee but that the schools would have to provide information and input for the process to work.

The Board will ultimately approve a realignment plan in May of 2008 and it will begin in August of 2009.

She noted the great relationship that the NCSHAA has with other organizations, including the NCCA, the NCADA, the North Carolina School Boards Association, and others. That even extends into the relationship between the NCHSAA and its corporate partners.

In terms of sportsmanship, Dr. Frost noted that "I want us to continue to focus on the integrity, the honor, and the teamwork, discipline and responsibility needed to participate in high school athletics, and to compete with an attitude of sportsmanship, respect and fair play."

## Jerry McGee Named To NIAAA Board of Directors

Jerry McGee, executive director of the North Carolina Athletic Directors Association and member of the NCHSAA Board of Directors, has added another responsibility.

The National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (NIAAA) has added an ex-officio position on its Board of Directors to the National Executive Directors' Council (NEDC), an organization made up of those in positions like Jerry's across the country at the head of state athletic directors' organizations. Jerry actually was the founder of the NEDC and its annual summer summit meeting.

McGee has been named by the NEDC to fill that ex-officio position for a three-year term..

During the summer, Jerry represented North Carolina at the sixth annual NEDC summer summit, held this year in Saratoga, NY. North Carolina actually hosted the inaugural summit.

## What's in it for the schools?

By KAREN MOOSE DEHART Director of Development

This question arises quite often during and after Regional Meetings, the Annual Meeting, the North Carolina Coaches' Association meetings, and even NCHSAA Board of Directors meetings, to name a few instances. "What's in it for the schools?" I am referring to the NCHSAA Endowment Fund and how it benefits the member schools.

This may help clear up one misconception. An endowment fund, in general, is an amount of income and/or property that has been provided to a person or institution. The income is called the principal and is invested, and this money can never be used for funding purposes since its purpose is to grow and generate interest for perpetuity.

The generated interest can be used for funding purposes as identified by the institution or person and the policies governing how the funds can be used. Therefore, the Association cannot purchase cars, buy furniture for the building, or spend the generated interest in any manner other than what the stated Fund policy outlines.

The policy states that only interest revenue can be utilized to underwrite expenses associated with NCHSAA programs and/or services when other funding sources are not available. Examples of the types of programs includes are Olympic sport playoffs, the NCHSAA Hall of Fame, and new awards including the Clary Medal, Gainey Student Award, Gainey Coach Award, and the Toby Webb Coach of the Year Award. Costs associated with various state finals have been underwritten in past years when corporate sponsorships were not available with Host City Sponsors or corporations.

Funds can also be used for "identified needs" as determined by the Executive Director and Board of Directors. A good example of this use would be the annual monies that have been sent to member schools (\$570,000 in the years 2000-01 through 2005-06) based on a percentage of catastrophic insurance premiums paid by the school out of the total premiums paid by all members. Each member school received a financial benefit from interest generated through the Endowment Fund.

So the NCHSAA Endowment Fund is an alternative funding source for Association programs and services. It was initially created in 1991 to assist in preserving and creating opportunities for NCHSAA member schools and student-athletes through the various programs and services offered by the Association. This fund offers the Association an opportunity to provide programs and services to member schools without passing a cost onto the schools or student-athletes, a common practice in many other states.

Numerous member schools have also benefited from participation in 'endowment games'. These voluntary games have generated close to \$5 million in revenue for participating schools since 1994 and slightly over \$2 million in funds to the NCHSAA Endowment Fund.

An endowed fund takes time and effort to grow - immediate results are not reasonable nor should they be expected. Since 1991, the Fund has grown from nothing to approximately \$8.5 million in total asset value. As the principal grows, more interest can be generated and thus, the Association will be able to consider additional ways in which the Fund can be used to assist member schools and the student-athletes.

In the meantime, when you hear someone ask, "What's in it for the schools?", consider the \$5 million in revenue received by schools participating in 'endowment games'; the \$570,000 returned to the member schools over the past five years; and the fact that funds were used to offset Olympic sports playoff costs so they would not be passed on to the member schools or athletes and their families.

## Spring Scholar-Athlete Winners Named By North Carolina High School Athletic Association

CHAPEL HILL—Over 5,300 individual awards have been earned by students for the spring semester from the North Carolina High School Athletic Association for achievements in the classroom as well as on the playing court or athletic field.

The NCHSAA made the awards in its Scholar-Athlete program, which includes recognition of varsity teams which attain certain grades as well as individual athletes.

A total of 3,190 student-athletes earned the individual Scholar-Athlete award, and 155 varsity teams in sports captured team honors.

Individual Scholar-Athletes attained at least a 3.5 grade point average for the semester in which he or she competed. The award is based on first semester grades for fall and winter sports and second semester grades for spring sports, and the school submits the nomination form verifying the grade point average on behalf of the athlete or team.

In the team division, a varsity team earns Scholar-Athlete recognition by attaining a 3.1 aggregate GPA for that designated semester. The school receives a certificate from the Association honoring the accomplishment and each member of the squad will also receive a certificate. A total of 2,156 individual awards were given in this category.

A minimum of five individuals is necessary to constitute a team, and all team members must be included in figuring the team GPA. The team achieving the highest grade point average in the state in its particular sport and submitting its application

by the appropriate deadline receives a plaque commemorating that achievement.

Seven different schools took top honors in respective sports, paced by the outstanding 3.879 grade point average by the women's soccer team at John Holmes High School in Edenton. One of the newest high schools in the state, Jesse Carson in Rowan County, captured first place in men's tennis.

"We are very proud of the achievements of the students involved in our Scholar-Athlete program," said Charlie Adams, executive director of the NCHSAA. "We think this is definite proof that we have a tremendous number of athletes that are playing sports and succeeding in the classroom."

The Scholar-Athlete program recognized almost 20,000 individuals during the course of the 2006-2007 academic year. This recognition has been a part of the NCHSAA program for over 20 years.

#### NCHSAA SCHOLAR-ATHLETE TEAM AWARD WINNERS Spring Sports 2007

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SPORT	SCHOOL	<b>AVERAGE</b>
Softball	Southern Guilford	3.735
Baseball	West Stanly	3.730
Men's Tennis	Jesse Carson	3.750
Women's Soccer	Edenton John Holmes	3.879
Men's Track	Southwest Guilford	3.530
Women's Track	Avery County	3.754
Men's Golf	Jack Britt	3.610

THE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS RECORD BOOK can be purchased from the National Federation of State High School Associations. A number of North Carolinians are among the national record holders. More information is available at (317) 972-6900.

## Que Tucker Recognized By National Federation

INDIANAPOLIS—Eleven individuals were recognized with National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Citations at the 88th NFHS Summer Meeting in July in Palm Desert, California, including one from the North Carolina High School Athletic Association.

Que Tucker, deputy executive director of the NCHSAA, was among those receiving the prestigious award.

An award designed to honor individuals who have made contributions to the NFHS, state high school associations, athletic director and coaching professions, officiating avocation, and fine arts programs, the NFHS Citation is one of the most highly regarded achievements in high school activities.

Citations have been awarded to high school athletic directors since 1971. In 1988, awards were added for speech and debate and music directors. Coaches and officials were added the following year, and in 1997 Citations were first awarded to state associations and NFHS personnel.

Citation recipients are individuals whose contributions have had an impact on high school activity programs. A long-standing and distinguished record of involvement with high school

## Former Jordan Swim Coach Receives Special Honor

DURHAM—A former Jordan High School coach and the North Carolina High School Athletic Association's legal counsel has received a prestigious award.

Jim Maxwell was the third recipient of the North Carolina Bar Association Foundation's Dr. I Beverly Lake Sr. Public Service Award. He received the award in June during the NCBA's Annual Meeting in Asheville.

In 1974, Maxwell volunteered to help establish a swimming program at Jordan and subsequently coached the team for 29 years, winning five NCHSAA state championships and 15 team titles.

Maxwell also served nine years as a member and ultimately as the chairperson of the national swimming rules committee for the National Federation of State High School Athletic Associations (NFHS).

For many years he has also served as the NCHSAA's legal counsel. He has also been recognized on several previous occasions by the NCHSAA.

Maxwell has also received the Order of the Long Leaf Pine from North Carolina Governor Mike Easley and is the past president of the North Carolina Bar Association.

## Time Warner Cable Proud NCHSAA Sponsor

Time Warner Cable is proud to be the official television partner of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association. Check on Carolina On Demand on Time Warner Cable digital channel 1234 to see some great NCHSAA championship games.

Time Warner Cable's free Video on Demand technology allows viewers to watch "on demand" programming at any time by using their remote control to select, view, pause and rewind the digitized content.

There is a possibility for NCHSAA member schools that do some regular-season tape delayed sports programming of their own that it could find its way onto the Time Warner Cable system. Contact Jason Lockhart, Carolina On Demand manager, to explore the possibility of regular season athletic events taped at your school for telecast consideration on Carolina on Demand.

He can be reached via email at Jason.Lockhart@twcable.com.

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During her years as head of the student services program, Tucker did a number of things in the area of chemical awareness and education. In concert with the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction's Alcohol and Drug Defense program, Tucker was involved with the organization of the Student-Athlete Summer Institute programs across the state. The successful Coach-Captain Retreats were initiated during her tenure as well.

Tucker joined the NCHSAA after a successful coaching career at the high school and college levels. She coached basketball and volleyball at Reidsville Senior High School and posted records of 145-104 in basketball and 58-16 in volleyball during her 10 years. She earned several coach-of-the-year honors in both sports.

For three years prior to joining the North Carolina association, Tucker was assistant women's basketball coach at North Carolina State University under storied head coach Kay Yow. Among other responsibilities, Tucker was responsible for the team's academic progress.

An outstanding athlete at Stoneville High School in Rockingham County, Tucker earned her bachelor's degree from Mars Hill College and her master's from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. Among her other accomplishments, Tucker was an accomplished official in the sports of volleyball, basketball and softball. She was inducted into the charter class of the Mars Hill College Athletic Hall of Fame.

## Atlantic Coast Conference Lists League Championships Held In North Carolina

GREENSBORO—The Atlantic Coast Conference has listed a number of its conference championships for the coming year that may be of interest to North Carolina High School Athletic Association member schools.

The conference has always believed that NCHSAA member schools, coaches and athletes might want to attend an ACC championship being held in the state of North Carolina.

Here is a list of sports, dates, sites and contacts for information on a variety of ACC events being held in our state:

- men's soccer at the SAS Soccer Complex at Cary on November 13,14,16 and 18, 2007; for more information contact Davis Whitfield at (336)337-4898
- men's and women's indoor track and field at the Eddie Smith Indoor Arena at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill on February 28-March 1, 2008; contact Kris Pierce at (336) 420-4155
- women's basketball at the Greensboro Coliseum on March 6-9, 2008; for more information contact Bernadette McGlade at (336)854-8787, extension 251;
- men's golf at Old North State Club at Uwharrie Point in New London on April 18-20, 2008; for more information contact Davis Whitfield at (336) 337-4898;
- no public sale of men's basketball tournament tickets is available; the tournament is scheduled for March 13-16, 2008 at the Charlotte Bobcats Arena in Charlotte

The Bulletin is pleased to provide this service to its readers.

## Student Honored By Durham Sports Club In Sportsmanship Program With Russell Blunt Award

DURHAM-Katie Ray of Cedar Ridge High School in Hillsborough is the 12th annual state winner in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association's "Be A Good Sport" program sponsored by the Durham Sports Club.

The winner was recognized at the Durham Sports Club's luncheon meeting at the Croasdaile Country Club in June. The award is known as the Russell E. Blunt Be A Good Sport award, in honor of the late long-time Durham Hillside coach who is a member of both the NCHSAA Hall of Fame and the National High School Sports Hall of Fame.

Ray was nominated by Cedar Ridge volleyball and basketball coach Laurie Calder-Green and selected as a finalist for the award, along with several others, by an NCHSAA committee. Then a special committee of the Durham Sports Club selected Ray as the overall statewide winner. Every school in the state was given the opportunity to nominate a student-athlete who

exemplifies the ideals of sportsmanship.

The Cedar Ridge senior was an outstanding three-sport athlete, playing volleyball, basketball and soccer, and served as captain of both the basketball and soccer team. She was the homecoming queen at Cedar Ridge, a member of the Beta Club and National Spanish Honor Society, and is very active in her

In nominating Ray, Calder-Green wrote, "She is an honor student, always a first-class leader, but willing to do her best at whatever role coaches ask of her. She has respect and honor not only for the game, but also for all who participate or will participate. She understands that leaving a legacy for those who follow is important."

Cedar Ridge received a cash donation for its athletic budget as a gift from the Durham Sports Club in honor of Katie Ray.

## Sportsmanship Recognition For NCHSAA Student-Athletes As "Heart Of A Champion" Winners Honored

CHAPEL HILL-Some 32 student-athletes from North Carolina High School Athletic Association member schools have been recognized for their outstanding sportsmanship as winners of "Heart of a Champion" recognition.

The sportsmanship recognition is part of the program offered by the NCHSAA Student Services Division and is sponsored by GlaxoSmithKline. Mark Dreibelbis, NCHSAA assistant executive director, and student services assistant Chiquana Dancy administer the program.

Each of the NCHSAA member schools had the opportunity to nominate one male and one female student-athlete for the recognition. The students must have participated in at least one varsity sport, including cheerleading, during the 2006-07 school year, have not been ejected from any contest, and must have demonstrated outstanding citizenship and sportsmanship dur-

## **New Internet Company Makes Services Available**

A new internet endeavor is interested in North Carolina High School Athletic Association member schools.

LocalReplay.com launched in June of this year on a limited basis interested in NCHSAA schools enjoying free multi-media

The sites are already developed, available by clicking on TeamCards on www.localreplay.com. This is for all teams at a school, not just certain sports.

Unlimited photo and video uploads will be available for use, and any registered user can upload, including fans. Every upload is screened so the school won't necessarily have to.

You can post statistics or schedules or roster information if you wish, and multiple people can do it.

The sites are free, and the web site is designed so that bills are paid by companies buying sponsorships.

You can look at the site at the address above or direct general questions to support@localreplay.com or by calling Gil Zino at 704-754-6131.

ing their high school careers. The students filled out an application questionnaire and then a school official, such as the principal or athletic director, also provided an evaluation.

The students were honored at a luncheon in June at the Radisson Governors' Inn in the Research Triangle Park.

#### GlaxoSmithKline Heart of a Champion 2007 Honorees:

Casey Abbott Millbrook Magen Abernathy South Stanly Tyler Aiken Clyde Erwin Brittany Ballard West Iredell Perry Beasley, Jr Columbia Carly Buch Kyle Cassidy Lindsey Everett Pamlico Michael Fox Meredith Honeycutt Payden Houser Wil Huneycutt Garrett Ingram Graham Jones Tripp Lancaster Gabriel Martin Taylor Megginson Cameron Mellon James Move Pamlico Samuel Pride Katie Ray Brandon Raynor Robin Reeves Jonathan Remein John Santos Leigh Ann Shaver

Celeste Sherer

Clayton Sidden

Kenda Spencer

Nikki Tatham

Jennifer Wilde

April Vang

Sanderson Western Harnett North Edgecombe West Stanly West Lincoln West Stanly Myers Park West Montgomery East Bladen Asheville David Butler David Butler North Edgecombe Cedar Ridge South Johnston North Wilkes Sanderson Millbrook East Rowan Asheville North Wilkes Columbia Clyde Erwin West Montgomery

Myers Park

**DON'T FORGET THE WEB SITE!** Check out the North Carolina High School Athletic Association's site at www.nchsaa.org for all sorts of important information, including updated regional assignments and locations in several sports and the latest brackets.

## North Carolinians Have Major Roles, Earn Honors At National Meeting

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North Carolina's Jerry McGee, CAA, one of the nation's top athletic directors who founded the National Executive Directors Council (NEDC), was the 2007 recipient of the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Award of Merit.

McGee, currently executive director of the North Carolina Athletic Directors Association, received the Award of Merit at the conference's annual luncheon. The Award of Merit, which has now been presented to 37 individuals, is the highest honor an individual can receive from the NFHS, aside from the National High School Hall of Fame.

The award recognizes significant contributions to the NFHS and interscholastic activity programs at the national level. In addition, criteria include contributions to the high school community at the state and national levels, as well as an individ-

ual's character and integrity.

McGee's service and accolades in athletic administration are extensive. However, his greatest contribution to the profession may be the creation and leadership of the NEDC. McGee's vision of a leadership organization for state athletic directors associations has led to many states creating an executive director position. Taking his idea from concept to reality, McGee hosted the first-ever NEDC Summer Summit in 2002 and has helped organize, plan and direct the summits each year.

At the national level, McGee has been very involved in the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (NIAAA).

Among his national honors, McGee was awarded the NFHS Citation in 1997, the NIAAA Distinguished Service Award in 1998 and the NIAAA Thomas E. Frederick Award of Excellence in 2003. He was also honored with a Distinguished American Award by the North Carolina Triangle Chapter of the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame in 2006.

McGee has been a member of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association (NCHSAA) Board of Directors since 1991 and currently serves on the NCHSAA Hall of Fame Selection Committee. He has also served terms on the NCHSAA Realignment and Presidents Advisory Committees.

In 1995, McGee was named athletic director of the year by both the NCHSAA and the North Carolina Alliance for Athletics, Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (NCAAH-PERD). In 1996, he earned the NCAAH-PERD President's Award and in 1999, was inducted into the NCHSAA Hall of Fame.

McGee's involvement and leadership throughout North Carolina and the nation has earned him the recognition of a leader in the profession.

Tim Stevens of the Raleigh News and Observer was among 12 individuals who were inducted in the National High School Hall of Fame, the closing event of the Summer Meeting.

Stevens has been involved with the Raleigh Times and the Raleigh News and Observer since starting at the Times in 1967 as a high school correspondent. He has devoted his entire career to coverage of high school sports and has been high school sports editor for the News and Observer since 1990.

He was co-author of the original North Carolina High School Record Book and has been involved for many years with the annual holiday invitational basketball tournament in Raleigh. He is the fourth newspaper journalist to be inducted into the National High School Hall of Fame.

The National High School Hall of Fame was started in 1982 by the NFHS to honor high school athletes, coaches, contest officials, administrators, fine arts coaches/directors and others for their extraordinary achievements and accomplishments in high school sports and activity programs. This year's class increases the number in the Hall of Fame to 338, and this year's event was the 25th induction ceremony.

North Carolinians currently in the National High School Hall of Fame include former Greensboro Grimsley coach and North Carolina Coaches Association executive Bob Jamieson, long-time Durham Hillside track coach Russell Blunt, and NCHSAA executive director Charlie Adams.

Que Tucker served as the mistress of ceremonies at the Hall for the second consecutive year.

Assistant executive director Carolyn Shannonhouse was among the presenters at the conference, speaking about "creating memories" at NCHSAA state championships and providing tips for conference attendees on doing the "little things" that can make an event so special.

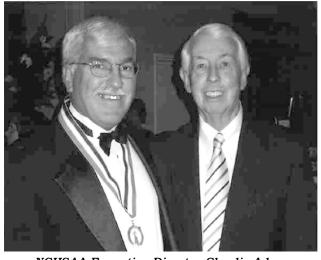
Executive director Charlie Adams, who has made numerous presentations at national meetings, also led a session in Palm Desert, speaking about the role of an executive director working

with the finance department at an association.

The NFHS, based in Indianapolis, Indiana, is the national leadership organization for high school sports and fine arts activities. Since 1920, the NFHS has led the development of education-based interscholastic sports and fine arts activities that help students succeed in their lives. The NFHS sets direction for the future by building awareness and support, improving the participation experience,



Que Tucker serves as mistress of ceremonies at NFHS Hall of Fame ceremony for 2nd year



NCHSAA Executive Director Charlie Adams with NFHS Hall of Famer Tim Stevens



Carolyn Shannonhouse makes presentation about the "little things" that make championships great



Patsy and Jerry McGee



**HANDBOOKS AND DIRECTORIES...**don't forget that you can still order Handbooks and Directories for the 2007-08 academic year. The form for orders is on the web site and all the Handbooks which have been ordered have been mailed out.

#### In Memoriam

This is information of which the NCHSAA has been made aware since the publication of the last Bulletin. We appreciate all those who share information with us for the benefit of our membership

#### **Steve Taylor**

RALEIGH—William Steve Taylor died in May at the age of 67. Born in Anson County, Steve was a graduate of Burnsville High School and attended N.C. State University before serving in the Marines and then working at IBM for 25 years.

He was a long-time basketball official at both the high school and college levels, working NCHSAA games for many years, and was also a competitive drag racer for almost 40 years.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, 4330 Bland Road, Flagship Building, Raleigh, NC 27609.

#### Jim Pardue

HENDERSONVILLE—Legendary Hendersonville High School basketball and baseball coach Jim Pardue died of cancer in mid-July at the age of 78.

Pardue's teams compiled a brilliant 391-98 record from 1965 through '84, winning a state 3-A title in 1972. He never had a losing season and won 20 or more games 12 times.

He also coached baseball at Hendersonville from 1957 to '78, and he led the Bearcats to a state championship in that sport in '64 and a second-place finish in 1970.

Pardue coached the West team in the North Carolina Coaches Association East-West all-star games in Greensboro. He was inducted into the Order of the Long Leaf Pine, the highest civilian honor granted by the state of North Carolina, in June.

#### Ron Smith

JAMESTOWN—Veteran teacher and coach Ron Smith died in early September at the age of 53.

A graduate of Ragsdale High School and High Point College, Smith enjoyed an excellent career, coaching for 15 years at Southeast Guilford and also coaching at Ferndale Middle School, High Point Central and Ragsdale.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the Coach Ronnie Smith Scholarship Fund, care of Jamestown United Methodist Church, 403 North Main Street, Jamestown, NC 27282

#### Cecil Frye

RALEIGH—Cecil W. Frye of Raleigh died at the age of 87 in early August.

A native of Princeton, WV, Frye served in World War II and played football, baseball and swam at N.C. State University.

Frye then spent over 50 years in the Edenton area, teaching for 12 years, then becoming principal of John A. Holmes High School and finally advancing to associate superintendent of the Edenton-Chowan school system.

#### Rick Hirsch

RALEIGH—Richard T. "Rick" Hirsch died in late May after a lengthy illness at the age of 61.

A graduate of the University of Alabama and a Vietnam veteran, he was registered as a soccer official with the North Carolina High School Athletic Association for 25 years and worked a number of state championships.

#### Dr. Ron Hyatt

CHAPEL HILL—Ron Hyatt, long-time professor at the University of North Carolina and great supporter of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association, died in mid-June after a long battle with cancer at the age of 73.

Hyatt grew up in Latta, SC, and graduated from Furman University in 1956, embarking on a remarkable career in teaching and coaching that spanned 50 years, from the elementary to the collegiate level. Among his high school teaching and coaching positions was a stint at Lee Edwards High School in Asheville.

But for 40 years he taught at UNC in exercise and sports science. He was a noted sports historian and published numerous articles, and among the many offices he held was twice-elected president of the North Carolina Alliance of Health, Physical Education and Dance (NCAHPERD).

He was honored on several occasions by the NCHSAA and had received the Carolina Priceless Gem Award from the UNC athletic department as well as the Order of the Long Leaf Pine from the state of North Carolina.

Dr. Hyatt had been closely involved with the NCHSAA and its intern program, referring his top students to apply for internships and several of those wound up working full-time with the NCHSAA.

Contributions may be sent to the UNC Lineberger Comprehensive Cancer Center, UNC-CH Campus Box 7295, Chapel Hillm, NC 27599-7295; UNC Hospice, Box 1077, Pittsboro, NC 27312; or the Ronald W. Hyatt Undergraduate Scholarship in Exercise and Sports Science, UNC Department of Exercise and Sports Science, Campus Box 8770, Fetzer Gymnasium, Chapel Hill, NC 27599-8770.

### Great Professional Development Opportunity Available At ECU

GREENVILLE—A special professional development opportunity will be presented for coaches, principals and athletic directors in October at East Carolina University.

The event is scheduled for Saturday, October 27, at the Ward Sports Medicine Building on the campus of East Carolina and is sponsored by the North Carolina Athletic Directors Association and the East Carolina University Department of Health Education and Promotion.

The sessions will involve both the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Coaches Education Course as well as the NCADA School Administrator Session in Athletics and School Law.

The NFHS coaches education course is a blended course, with the first two hours of instruction offered face-to-face on the ECU campus and the additional two hours will be provided on line. Bobby Guthrie of the Wake County school system and Roy Turner, athletic director at Ashley High in Wilmington, will be leading the course, a fundamentals of coaching course providing a unique student-centered curriculum designed for interscholastic teacher-coaches.

The two-hour session on current issues in athletics and school law is designed to provide an overview of current legal issues related to athletics in public schools. Some of the topics to be covered include Title IX, sexual harassment, hazing, volunteers and employment laws, athletes with exceptionalities, working with law enforcement officers and drug testing.

Phillip Dixon and Ben Irons of the North Carolina Bar Association will be presenters for the school administrator session.

The two courses will be offered from 10 am to noon, followed by a campus tour from noon to 1 pm. A tailgate lunch will be provided from 1 to 2 pm and then participants in the courses will be able to attend the homecoming football game between East Carolina and Alabama-Birmingham, which kicks off at 3 p.m.

The cost of taking one of the courses, with a ticket included to the football game, is only \$35, with checks made payable to ECU.

Among the ways to register are by calling 1-800-767-9111 or electronic enrollment is available at www.cpe.ecu.edu.

If you have specific questions, you can call Jerry McGee of the NCADA at 252-335-7396 or Dr. David White of the East Carolina Department of Health Education and Promotion at 252-328-6000.

## Final 2006-07 Wachovia Cup State Standings Announced



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Bank, N.A., along with the North Carolina High School Athletic Association, has WACHOVIA announced the final standings for the Wachovia Cup competitions for the 2006-07 sports sea-

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The Wachovia Cup award, sponsored by Wachovia Bank, N.A., and the NCHSAA, recognizes the high schools that achieve the best overall interscholastic athletic performance within each of the state's four competitive classifications. The Wachovia Cup program concluded in its 28th year in 2006-07. Kernersville Bishop McGuinness won its first-ever cup in the 1-A classification, slipping past defending champion Hampstead Topsail. Raleigh Cardinal Gibbons successfully defended its 2-A crown and Skyland T.C. Roberson captured its third consecutive first-place finish in the 3-A classification. Charlotte Providence paced the 4-A classification, taking its fourth straight Wachovia title.

In the 1-A classification, Topsail had a great spring and placed in five out of the seven spring sports, but Bishop McGuinness earned the Cup by finishing second in women's soccer, fourth among 1-A teams in men's golf and sixth in women's outdoor track. McGuinness had 487.5 points to 450 for runner-up Topsail. Polk County, paced by a trip to the women's soccer state semifinals, wound up third with 397.5 points.

Champion Cardinal Gibbons clinched the top spot in 2-A by a big margin, tallying 762.5 points to 405 for second-place West Henderson. Gibbons won state crowns in men's dual team tennis and women's soccer and finished second in both outdoor track championships as well as men's golf. West Henderson was third in men's golf and made it to the quarterfinals in women's soccer. Shelby wound up third overall with 382.5 points, with its top spring performance a women's soccer state runner-up finish.

T.C. Roberson held on to its lead after the winter season to record 550 points, 110 ahead of second-place Charlotte Catholic in the 3-A classification race. Roberson was the state 3-A women's outdoor track champ and made it to the state quarterfinals in both men's tennis and women's soccer, while Catholic was the women's soccer runner-up and tied for third in men's tennis to land in second place overall. Asheville was third with 335 points with a second-place position in men's track.

In the 4-A classification, Charlotte Providence clinched first with 465 points, leaving Raleigh Broughton in second place with 349.17 points. Providence used a state championship in men's tennis and third-place finish in men's golf to secure its fourth straight cup. Broughton was runner-up in men's tennis to Providence and tied for fourth in men's golf. Chapel Hill, buoyed by a state runner-up finish in softball, wound up third at 337.5 points.

Wachovia Cup points are determined by a system based on performance in statechampionship events. All schools that finish in the top eight positions (plus ties) earn points. In the playoff events involving teams from more than one classification, Wachovia Cup points are awarded based on the school's standing against other schools in its own classification. If fewer then eight schools from a classifica-

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tion compete in a sport, only those schools that are represented are eligible to receive the Wachovia Cup points.

Points are awarded for all sports as follows: 50 for first, 45 for second, 40 for third, 35 for fourth, 30 for fifth, 25 for sixth, 20 for seventh and 15 for eighth. In the event of a tie, the schools receive an equal number of points based on the number of teams that tie and the number of teams that finish higher in the standings. Five points are awarded for each sanctioned sport in which a school com-

Wachovia Cup standings are announced three times each school year: once after the fall and winter sports, and concluding with the winner after the spring sports season ends in June. The engraved silver cups are presented during NCHSAA Day activities at UNC-Chapel Hill each fall.

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#### NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION WACHOVIA CUP FINAL 2006-07 STANDINGS

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	SCHOOL	POINTS		SCHOOL	POINTS
1.	Kernersville Bishop McGuinness	487.5	1.	Skyland T.C. Roberson	550
2.	Hampstead Topsail	450	2.	Charlotte Catholic	440
3.	Polk County	397,5	3.	Asheville	335
4.	Hendersonville	362.5	4.	Winston-Salem Parkland	305
5.	N.C. School of Science and Math	332.5	5.	Wilson Fike	282.5
6.	East Surry	307.5	6.	Mooresville	277.5
7.	Siler City Jordan-Matthews	280	7.	Hickory	267.5
8.	Elkin	257.5	8.	Pfafftown Ronald Reagan	260
9.	Mount Airy	245	9.	Jamestown Ragsdale	255
10.	Pender	240	10.	Winston-Salem Carver	247.5
11.	South Stokes	227.5		Jacksonville White Oak	247.5
12.	Hayesville	225	12.	Burlington Williams	245
13.	Dixon	217.5	13.	Lake Norman	240
14.	East Bladen	200	14.	Pikeville Charles B. Aycock	227.5
15.	North Johnston	185	15.	Jacksonville	225
	Thomasville	185			
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### **MEN'S GOLF**



#### One-Hole Playoff Settles Individual Race, East Surry Rolls To 1-A Team Title

BUIES CREEK—The individual race was tight but the team race was a blowout in the 10th annual North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 1-A men's golf championships at the Keith Hills Country Club.

The championship was held on the Keith Hills II course, a par-72, 6500-yard layout for the NCHSAA event.

Three players tied for medalist honors with a 142 total and had to go to a playoff to settle the top three spots. John Weldon of East Surry survived a one-hole playoff with teammate Tommy Gibson and West Montgomery's Justin Goforth to win the top individual prize.

Weldon birdied the playoff hole to take first while Gibson earned a par for second place and Goforth's bogey put him in third.

East Surry, seeking its third straight state crown, won it with ease with an impressive 589 total, a whopping 31 shots ahead of the field.

A total of 76 golfers competed in the two-day tournament. Wendy's and the Carolinas Ford Dealers are the presenting sponsors of the NCHSAA sports program.

#### Salisbury's Collins Comes Back To Win, Ledford Takes Team Championship In 2-A Golf

SOUTHERN PINES—Defending individual champion Will Collins of Salisbury fired a final round one-under par 71 to earn his second straight state title in the 22nd annual North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 2-A men's golf championships at the Long Leaf Golf and Country Club.

Collins was in a five-way tie for second, two strokes off the pace, after Monday's opening round, but his total of 143 was three shots better than Ledford's Jeff Boyan. Tyler Dellinger of Mitchell finished third at 147.

Led by Boyan and Nick Goins, two-time defending team champion Ledford made it three in a row by shooting a 309 on Tuesday after a brilliant opening-day 294 with five of its six team members shooting 77 or better.

The championship was held on Longleaf's par-72 layout set at 6,543 yards for the NCHSAA event, and a total of 84 golfers competed in the two-day tournament. Wendy's and the Carolinas Ford Dealers are the presenting sponsors of the NCHSAA sports program.

## Hoadley Wins Medalist Honors, Hickory Edges Forestview For 3-A Team Championship

FOX FIRE VILLAGE—Robert Hoadley of Cameron Union Pines was a model of consistency as he took medalist honors in the 22nd annual North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 3-A men's golf championships at the Fox Fire Resort and Country Club.

The championship was held on the East Course at the Fox Fire Resort and Country Club, a par-72, 6500-yard layout for the NCHSAA event.

Hoadley, who finished in a tie for seventh in last year's championships, had a two-under par 70 on Monday and duplicated the effort in the final round to finish five shots ahead Drew Page of Waynesville Tuscola and Harold Varner of Gastonia Forestview. Varner took second place on the third playoff hole.

Hickory and Forestview finished the competition knotted at 605 in the team scores, with Hickory winning the tiebreaker by virtue of the fifth player's total over the two days. The best four of six individual scores count toward the team total.

Hickory was in fourth place after the opening day, but all six of the Red Tornadoes playing the second day shot 77 or better.

A total of 84 golfers participated in the two-day tournament. Wendy's and the Carolinas Ford Dealers are the presenting sponsors of the NCHSAA sports program.



## CHAMPIONSHIP REVIEW

#### **Kevin O'Connell Paces Green Hope To 4-A Golf Championship**

SOUTHPORT-Kevin O'Connell of Morrisville Green Hope fired his second under-par round of the tournament to win top individual honors in the 71st annual North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 4-A men's golf championships at the Reserve Club at St. James Plantation.

O'Connell had a 141 total, good for a five-stroke margin over a pair of juniors, Adam Stephenson of Greenville Rose and Nik Peterson of Charlotte Providence. Stephenson took second place in with a birdie on the first playoff hole.

Green Hope, which held a six-stroke lead over Southern Pines Pinecrest entering the final round, wound up with a whopping 29-stroke advantage to coast to its second consecutive 4-A crown. Green Hope recorded a 592 total, with Pinecrest back in second at 621. Of the 12 individual rounds in the tournament by Green Hope golfers, there were 11 scores of 78 or better.

The championship was held on a par-72 layout set at 6,500 yards or the NCHSAA event, and a total of 88 golfers competed in the two-day tournament.

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## **TRACK AND FIELD**



#### NCSSM, Topsail Take Team Titles In NCHSAA 1-A Track And Field

GREENSBORO—Philip Curley took first place in three individual events to lead the North Carolina School of Science and Math of Durham to the team title in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 1-A men's track and field championships at North Carolina A&T State University.

Curley captured top honors in the 800, 1600 and 3200 meters to earn Most Valuable Performer honors as NCSSM recorded 62 points to 45 for runners-up Pamlico and Siler City Jordan-Matthews, who were knotted in second place. Curley set a new 1-A meet record in the 1600.

Polk County was fourth with 37 and Ayden-Grifton finished fifth with 34 points.

Hampstead Topsail's Ahmad Garrison established a new meet mark in the discus by better than two feet, recording a toss of 159 feet, six inches.

Topsail rolled to an easy victory in the women's meet, more than doubling the score of its nearest competitors. Topsail tallied a whopping 88 points to 40 for second-place Princeton. Swain County was third with 38, followed by South Stokes and Hayesville with 36 points each

Joule Breedlove of Swain County earned the women's MVP, winning the triple jump with a new 1-A meet record distance of 38 feet, 1.25 inches. She also finished second in the 100 hurdles and fifth in the 300 hurdles.

#### Cummings Women, North Rowan Men Earn Team 2-A Track Titles

GREENSBORO—Senior Latoya James won three individual events to lead Burlington Cummings to the team title in the North Carolina

High School Athletic Association women's 2-A track and field championships at the Irwin Belk Track on the campus of North Carolina A&T State University.

Cummings tallied 73 points to 64 for runner-up Raleigh Cardinal Gibbons. Cummings earned its second consecutive team title and eighth women's state track championship since 1994.

James, who was named the Most Valuable Performer in the women's meet for the second straight year, won the 100-meter hurdles, the 300-meter hurdles and the long jump while finishing second in the triple jump to pace Cummings. Her time in the 300 hurdles of 43.76 seconds set a new NCHSAA 2-A record.

Hillsborough Cedar Ridge was third in the women's standings with 58.5 points, followed by Farmville Central (37.5) and Durham School of the Arts (33). There were 46 teams that tallied points in the women's meet.

Perennial men's track power North Rowan held off the field to capture its fourth NCHSAA crown in the last five years and ninth track title in the last 14. North tallied 60 points to 44 for Cardinal Gibbons, with Monroe in third at 38 and Forest Hills fourth at 33. Farmville Central, Jacksonville Northside and St. Pauls knotted at fifth with 29 points apiece.

A total of 55 schools scored points in the men's meet.

Phillip Bush and John Bostick were among the leaders for the deep North Rowan team. Bush earned first place in both the 100 and 200 meters while Bostick captured top honors in both the hurdle events.

Sean Sewell, a senior at Cardinal Gibbons, earned the MVP honors in the men's meet. He set new state 2-A marks in winning both the 1600 and 3200 meter events, taking the 1600 in 4:17.69 and winning the 3200 with a mark of 9:25.83, and ran a leg on the victorious 3200-meter relay team.

The Greensboro Convention and Visitors Bureau, the Greensboro Sports Commission, North Carolina Amateur Sports and Pepsi-Cola served as the host city sponsors for the event, and Wendy's and the Carolina Ford Dealers are the presenting sponsors of the NCHSAA sports program.

#### Mooresville Men, T.C. Roberson Women Earn Crowns In 3-A Track And Field Championships

GREENSBORO—Jamel Allison of Mooresville helped lead his Blue Devils to the team title in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 3-A men's track and field championships at North Carolina A&T State University.

Mooresville tallied 60 points to 45.5 for runner-up Asheville, with Allison one of the keys as he won the triple jump and finished third in the long jump. Winston-Salem Carver was third with 42 points, followed by Nash Central with 38 and Winston-Salem Parkland with 35. A total of 53 teams scored points in the men's meet.

Bryce Sherman of Carver was named the Most Valuable Performer in the men's meet, winning individual championships in both the 100 and 200 meters. Hickory's Ryan Hill was also a double winner, taking top honors in both the 1600 and 3200 meters.

Asheville T.C. Roberson, which had tied Jacksonville for the NCH-SAA men's 3-A crown in 2005, this time battled it out for supremacy in the women's meet. Roberson won it outright with 51 points to 39 for second-place Jacksonville. Parkland was third with 35, just ahead of Greensboro Dudley and Jamestown Ragsdale tied for fourth with 34. Ragsdale was the defending team champion.

A total of 52 schools tallied points in the women's meet.

Co-MVP's were named in the women's meet, with Kelsey McCorkle of Winterville South Central and Sophia Treakle of Asheville sharing the award. McCorkle won both the 100 and 200 while Treakle captured state titles in both hurdle events.

#### MVP Efforts Still Can't Surpass New Bern Men, Harding Women

GREENSBORO—Trenton Guy, Jr., and Gabby Mayo had tremendous meets to earn Most Valuable Performer honors, but both of their teams just short in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 4-A track and field championships at the Irwin Belk Track at North Carolina A&T State University.

Guy earned the Most Valuable Performer award for the men as he won the 100, finished second in the 200 and anchored both of the

state champion relay teams in the 100 and 200. But his Lions fell just short in the team race, tallying 53 points to 56 for a deep New Bern team. For the third consecutive year, Mayo captured MVP honors for the women as she won the 100, 200 and the 100 hurdles, but her Southeast Raleigh team was nine points short of team champion Charlotte Harding University.

Matthews David Butler was third in the men's standings with 35, followed by East Forsyth with 31, Winston-Salem R.J. Reynolds with 28 and Southeast Raleigh at 27. A total of 58 men's teams scored points in the meet.

Scott Houston of Northwest Guilford cleared 15 feet, five inches in the pole vault, setting a new 4-A mark and breaking a 26-year old record of 15-2 previously held by Mike Thurber of Greenville Rose.

Butler's Spencer Adams ran a sizzling 36.04 seconds in the 300 hurdles, breaking an NCHSAA all-classification record that was set last year by Clayton's Johnny Dutch at 36.60. Dutch finished second to Adams this time around.

Mayo, named the 2007 NCHSAA Female Athlete of the year earlier this month, kept her Southeast Raleigh team in it, but Kamorean Hayes and her Harding teammates were just too strong. Harding had 79 points to 70 for Southeast, followed by Fayetteville E.E. Smith (44), Southern Durham (42), Raleigh Athens Drive (36) and Charlotte Vance (32). There were 48 schools scoring points in the women's championships.

Hayes won both the shot and the discuss and shattered her own all-classifications record in the shot with a heave of 51 feet, 3.5 inches, almost three feet beyond the old standard.

The Greensboro Convention and Visitors Bureau, the Greensboro Sports Commission, North Carolina Amateur Sports and Pepsi-Cola were host city corporate sponsors for the event. Wendy's and the Carolina Ford Dealers are the presenting sponsors of the NCHSAA sports program.

#### **MEN'S TENNIS**



#### Hendersonville's Grove Takes Singles Crown, Mount Airy Teams Collide For Doubles Title

CARY—Hendersonville's Tyler Grove outlasted Fabrice Kalmbacher of Misenheimer Gray Stone Day School to win the singles title in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 1-A men's tennis tournament championships at the Cary Tennis Center.

Grove, who had lost to Kalmbacher in the West Regional finals last weekend, won the tough three-setter by 7-6(3), 4-6, 6-2.

A pair of Mount Airy teams squared off for the doubles championship. Nick John and Matt Johnson defeated Bear teammates Chase Pumerantz and Dusty Roberson in a repeat of last weekend's West Regional final, which was won by Pumerantz and Roberson. John and Johnson prevailed this time 6-3 in the third set after splitting the first two sets.

The Greater Raleigh Convention and Visitors Bureau and the Raleigh Sports Consortium were host city sponsors for the event. Wendy's and the Carolina Ford Dealers are presenting sponsors of the NCHSAA sports program.

#### Cardinal Gibbons Players Take Top Honors In 2-A

CARY—Will Rollinson of Raleigh Cardinal Gibbons successfully defended his singles championship in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 2-A men's tennis tournament championships at the Cary Tennis Center.

Rollinson won his second consecutive state crown, this time beating Graham's Tyler Cook 6-1 and 7-5 in the final to run his individual record to 26-2 on the season.

Cardinal Gibbons also took the doubles title, as the duo of Ryan Daly and Jonathan Fedorkowicz downed William Gray and Taylor Sullivan of Kill Devil Hills First Flight in a well-played, entertaining match by 7-6(6), 6-3.

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Gray and Sullivan had survived a three-set match in a morning semifinal, getting past North Lincoln's Mathieu Bureau and George Lapron, to advance to the championship.

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#### Statesville's Spencer Takes Singles Title, Catholic Wins Doubles

BURLINGTON—Senior Preston Spencer of Statesville made his fourth straight trip to the state tournament his most successful as he won the singles title in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 3-A men's tennis championships at the Burlington Tennis Center.

Playing almost flawless tennis, Spencer beat Charlotte Catholic's Paul Bartholomy in straight 6-2 sets to earn the title after beating Hickory's Tripp Johnson in a morning semifinal.

Catholic's doubles team of Brandon Lamoureux and David Trautmann survived a tough three-set final to earn the state championship by 6-1, 4-6, 6-3 over the Statesville pair of Thomas Fanjoy and Luke Gillis.

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## Third Set Tiebreaker Decides Dramatic Doubles Championship

CHAPEL HILL—It went down to a dramatic third-set tiebreaker, and the East Chapel Hill duo of Tim Bayus and Jeff Archer prevailed to win the doubles championship in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 4-A men's tennis tournament championships at the Cone-Kenfield Tennis Center on the campus of the University of North Carolina.

Bayus and Archer squared off against Charlotte Providence's pair of Chris Sheehan and Carter Braxton in the doubles final after both teams had survived tough Saturday morning three-set matches in the semifinals.

Chapel Hill's Chase Helpingstine earned the singles title with an excellent performance, downing David Shermak of Raleigh Sanderson, the 2005 4-A runner-up, in straight sets at 6-2.

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#### Championships Decided In Men's Dual Team Tennis

BURLINGTON—After splitting the singles matches, Charlotte Providence took two of the remaining doubles encounters to nip Raleigh Broughton and win the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 4-A men's dual team tennis championship 5-4 at the Burlington Tennis Center.

Key to the victory for Providence was the play of Ted Monks and Chris Baum. Monks won at number three singles, winning in straight sets over Jack Parks but both in tiebreakers in a match that went well over two hours. Baum dropped the first set in his singles match with J.B. Weaver but rallied to win the tiebreaker that decided the third set and that match.

Then Monks and Baum teamed to win the deciding doubles match, battling past Weaver and Drake Kane in a 10-8 pro set.

Broughton's record dropped to 22-2 and the Caps were halted in their bid for a ninth NCHSAA dual team title. Providence completed a perfect 17-0 season and won its first state crown in men's dual team tennis after finishing second last year to East Chapel Hill.

Statesville had little trouble in securing the 3-A championship, winning all six singles matches in straight sets to defeat Burlington Williams 6-0.

Statesville dropped only 13 games in sweeping those 12 sets, led by number-one singles player and state 2-A singles champion Preston Spencer. It was the Greyhounds' first NCHSAA dual team title since

1997 in their fourth appearance in the finals.

Statesville finished with a 13-0 dual team record while Williams was 19-3.

In the 2-A championship Saturday morning, Raleigh Cardinal Gibbons won all the singles matches in straight sets to roll past Newton-Conover 6-0. Paced by singles state champion Will Rollinson, the Crusaders won for the 23rd time against a single loss.

Newton-Conover had a 22-match winning streak snapped and the Red Devils finished their season at 22-2 overall.

The 1-A final went right down to the wire, with Topsail's third doubles team of Hunter Smith and Nico Hoff winning to capture a 5-3 triumph over Hendersonville.

Hendersonville took the top two singles, but Topsail won the other four and then the victory at the third doubles clinched the state title. Topsail wound up 20-5 overall while Hendersonville was 16-5.

## WOMEN'S SOCCER



## Apex Tops Weddington In Overtime In Women's 4-A Soccer

CARY—Jennifer Partenheimer's spectacular goal in the second 10-minute overtime lifted Apex to a 2-1 decision over Weddington in the 22nd annual North Carolina High School Athletic Association's women's 4-A soccer championship at SAS Soccer Park.

Partenheimer's rocket off a free kick from about 30 yards out into the upper corner of the goal proved to be the difference as the Cougars finished a 26-0-2 season and ended the year on a 12-match winning streak. Weddington closed its most successful year in school history with a 21-5-1 mark.

Partenheimer, the Tri-Eight Conference Player of the Year and a UNC-Greensboro signee, was selected as the game's Most Valuable Player.

After a scoreless first half, Weddington got on the board with a goal by freshman Ashley Aragona, the Warriors' leading goal-scorer who notched her 20th of the season. But less than five minutes later Apex evened the count on a goal by Amy Dodd and the regulation 80 minutes ended at 1-1.

Weddington, which finished third in the Southwestern 4-A Conference but got hot in the playoffs, was in its first NCHSAA women's soccer championship while Apex made its second visit after finishing as 4-A runner-up in 2002.

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## Morgan Leads Raleigh Charter To State 1-A Women's Soccer Crown

CARY—Junior captain Camille Morgan had a goal and an assist to lead Raleigh Charter to a 3-0 victory over Kernersville Bishop McGuinness in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association women's 1-A state soccer championship on Saturday at Koka Booth Field at the SAS Soccer Park.

Morgan, who is already Raleigh Charter's all-time leading scorer, earned the Most Valuable Player award for the championship as the Phoenix earned their first team title as a member of the NCHSAA.

The Phoenix had a 2-0 lead at halftime as Morgan opened the scoring with her 44th goal of the season off an assist by Christine McGrath. Less than 14 minutes before intermission, Abby Fulp tallied after an Ananda Day assist for a 2-0 count.

Raleigh Charter made it 3-0 in the 67th minute when Morgan played a ball to Kate Rosen and Rosen found the back of the net.

Sophomore goalkeeper Meg Barrow recorded her 13th shutout of the season for the Phoenix and her fourth in five playoff games. Bishop McGuinness managed only one shot in the second half and that was in the final minute of the match. Raleigh Charter had a 9-3 advantage in shots on goal. Bishop McGuinness had a 16-match winning streak snapped, as the Villains finished 16-5-1 after an

0-4-1 start. Raleigh Charter's final mark was 19-2-3.

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## Gibbons Edges Shelby 1-0 In 2-A Women's Soccer Championship

CARY—Lindsey Byrd scored the only goal of the game as Raleigh Cardinal Gibbons shut out Shelby 1-0 in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 2-A women's soccer championship at Koka Booth Field at the SAS Soccer Park.

Byrd, a sophomore midfielder, had a ball played to her from the back by Callan Hoerdemann and then hammered it home with 34:51 left to play and the Crusaders made it stand up. Byrd, who scored her 27th goal of the season after a hat trick in the regional finals, was named the championship's Most Valuable Player.

The Crusaders finished with a record of 21-4-2 while Shelby, in its first trip to the NCHSAA women's soccer finals, closed the year at 16-5-4.

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#### Banks Is MVP Again As White Oak Beats Catholic For State 3-A Women's Soccer

CARY—It was back-to-back titles for Jacksonville White Oak and back-to-back Most Valuable Player honors for Tandy Banks.

Banks, a senior forward, scored a pair of goals and had an assist, earning her second straight championship MVP honor as White Oak edged Charlotte Catholic 3-2 in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 3-A women's soccer championship at Koka Booth Field at the SAS Soccer Park.

White Oak successfully defended its title in its third straight trip to the finals, finishing the season with a 27-1 slate and its third NCH-SAA women's soccer title in the last four years. Catholic, in the finals for a fifth time, ended the year 22-2-3.

Catholic broke on top in the 14th minute when Jennifer Burak hammered home a shot for her 20th goal of the season off an assist from Casey McCormick. But White Oak countered with a pair of goals within a four-minute stretch with the one-two punch of Tandy Banks and Stephanie Rose.

Rose passed to Banks, who knocked in her 49th goal of the season, and then a little later Banks assisted Rose, who found the back of the net for the 40th time this year.

Catholic knotted the score at 2-2 in the 56th minute when a corner kick by Nadia Soussi floated in and Samantha McVeiogh headed it home. But the tie was short lived, for less than two minutes later Banks tallied her second goal of the day for the Lady Vikings.

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### **SOFTBALL**



#### Butler Edges Chapel Hill In 4-A Championship Game

RALEIGH—Defending state champion Matthews David Butler rallied from a 2-0 deficit in the sixth inning and edged Chapel Hill 3-2 to

win the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 4-A softball championship at Walnut Creek Softball Complex.

Pitcher Ashton Ward of Butler was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player for the second straight year as Butler won its second straight state title, finishing a 29-0 season. She went the distance on the mound, yielding five hits and fanning 13 in posting her 26th victory of the year.

Sarah Rapp was big for Butler in its rally. Her hit started the tworun comeback that knotted the score in the sixth and then she had the game-winning infield hit that plated Melinda Collins, who had singled off losing pitcher Samme Lisowsky. Chapel Hill wound up with a 25-7 record.

Chapel Hill led 1-0 after one inning and then made it 2-0 in the third when Rachel Sawyer doubled and later scored on a single by Rachel Brocious.

Chapel Hill's only other loss in the tournament was on Friday night, a 7-1 14-inning marathon against Bulter. That had dropped the Tigers into the loser's bracket final game earlier on Saturday.

Chapel Hill moved into the championship game by edging North Davidson 1-0 as Lisowsky picked up the pitching victory. Katie Bennett scored the only run of the game in the fourth inning on an error after reaching base via a single.

Sawyer and Brocious each had two hits in that Tiger win, while Elisha Elliott and Brittany Mallory each had a pair of hits for North Davidson, which finished its year 30-3. Danielle Glosson was the losing pitcher.

#### Southwestern Randolph Takes 3-A Title Over D.H. Conley

RALEIGH—Natalie Haithcox and Holly Berry had two hits apiece to lead Southwestern Randolph to a 2-0 victory over Greenville D.H. Conley in the finals of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 3-A softball championships at Walnut Creek Softball Complex.

Anna Maness, who had an excellent all-around tournament for Southwestern, came on to pitch the final two innings in relief in the final and was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player. Valerie Campbell was credited with the win.

It was Southwestern's first NCHSAA state softball title since 2001 as the Lady Cougars completed a brilliant 30-1 season.

Breanna Andrews had two hits for Conley, which finished its season 27-4. Sue Ann Riggs was the losing pitcher.

Conley had advanced to the championship game in the double-elimination tournament with a 1-0 victory over defending state champion Kings Mountain earlier on Saturday in the loser's bracket final. Brittany Sutton went the route on the mound for the winners and struck out 18. Allison Brown collected two of Conley's three hits.

Morgan Childers, who struck out 11, got the loss for Kings Mountain.

#### Leonard Fires No-Hitter In Championship Game For Central Davidson

RALEIGH—Sophomore Chelsea Leonard of Central Davidson fired a no-hitter in the finals of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 2-A softball championships at Walnut Creek Softball Complex as Central blanked South Brunswick 4-0.

Leonard struck out 18 and was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player as Central Davidson completed a 32-1 campaign.

The Spartans broke a scoreless game open with four runs in the sixth, as Ashley Hulin and Erin Cole had key hits in the frame.

South Brunswick, which ended its season 26-5, had earned a berth in the finals with a 1-0 win over Bunn earlier on Saturday in the loser's bracket finals of the double-elimination event.

Candace Piner was the winning pitcher as South pushed across the only run of the game in the bottom of the sixth when Jenna Kasmierczak, who had singled, stole home.

Ashley Driver was tagged with the loss for Bunn, which ended 20-9 overall.

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#### Crist's Three Run Homer Lifts Pender To Victory

RALEIGH—Sophomore first baseman Guss Crist blasted a threerun walk-off home run in the eighth inning to propel Pender to a 3-1 win over North Moore and the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 1-A softball championship at Walnut Creek Softball Complex.

Crist was named the Most Valuable Player of the tournament as Pender won its second straight state title and finished 28-2 overall.

Britney Roper of Pender and Allison Braswell of North Moore locked into the pitcher's duel that was scoreless at the end of the regulation seven innings. Then North Moore took a 1-0 lead in the eighth and set the stage for Crist's heroics in the bottom half of the frame.

North Moore, which dropped a 5-3 decision to Pender on Friday night in the tournament, finished with a 26-8 record.

Jasmine Covington had driven in three runs earlier in the day as North Moore ousted Swain County 4-1 in the loser's bracket final to advance to play Pender. Braswell was the winning pitcher in that one while Kristen Cook took the loss for Swain, which ended the year 24-7.

#### **BASEBALL**



## Daughtry Is MVP As Princeton Wins Series Over East Surry

ZEBULON—Princeton's Ryan Daughtry was named the Most Valuable Player as his Bulldogs downed East Surry 7-3 in the third and decisive game of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 1-A baseball championship series at Five County Stadium.

Daughtry, a junior, pitched six innings to get the win in the decisive game and also had a run-scoring triple in Princeton's key three-run third inning. Dustin Pate also drove home two runs with a double in the third.

Princeton increased its lead to 6-1 in the fourth with the help of an RBI single by Daniel Jerrell, a walk, hit batsman and error.

Jeremy Miller led East Surry with two hits in four trips to the plate. Joe Joyce started on the mound for the Cardinals and was relieved by Troy Jessup in the fourth.

Princeton had won the opener 7-3, while East Surry forced a third game by taking game two earlier on Saturday by a 4-3 count. The victorious Bulldogs finished the season 25-7 while East had a school-record 26 wins against 10 losses.

In game two, Jordan Jessup recorded his 12th victory of the year for East, which jumped on the Bulldogs for three runs in the first, and senior outfielder Anthony Durham led the Cardinals at the plate with two hits in three trips.

East was in its first state championship series since 1982 while Princeton was in its fifth title series and earned its third state crown to go with championships in 1992 and '94.

#### East Rutherford Beats North Lenoir To Clinch Title In 2-A Baseball

RALEIGH—Seth Baldwin blasted a three-run homer in a huge six-run second inning as East Rutherford defeated North Lenoir 8-1 to clinch the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 2-A baseball championship series at Doak Field on the N.C. State campus.

The Cavaliers, who won the NCHSAA championship in 2002, '03 and '04, stopped North Lenoir's bid for a third straight state title...

North Lenoir had won the opening game of the best-of-three series by 4-0, but East evened it with a 3-1 victory in game two.

Senior outfielder Zeke Blanton, who hit safely in all three games

of the series and had two hits and an RBI in the clincher, was voted the Most Valuable Player of the championship. He entered the final series with a sizzling .547 batting average.

Michael Milan had three hits in three trips and also scored twice for the Cavaliers, who finished the season 31-2. North Lenoir ended 28-5.

Tyler Smith started on the mound for East after picking up the victory in game two, but faced only two hitters before giving way to Cullen Park, who went the rest of the way and yielded just two hits while fanning eight. John Austin was charged with the loss.

In the second game of the series, Tyler Smith led East at the plate with a pair of hits and also recorded his ninth pitching victory of the year against no losses, allowing just four hits while striking out seven. North Lenoir's Brandon Sutton (10-1) got the loss.

Blanton had a run-scoring double for the Cavaliers, who also scored a couple of unearned runs.

#### Jay Rose Is Most Valuable As C.B. Aycock Sweeps Series

RALEIGH—Junior Jay Rose had two hits and drove in three runs to lead Pikeville Charles B. Aycock to a convincing 10-2 decision over Southeast Guilford and a sweep of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association 3-A baseball championship series at Doak Field on the N.C. State campus.

The Golden Falcons had won the opening game Friday night 9-3 and clinched the best of three series in two straight games.

Rose, who had four RBI in the opener, including a three-run homer, was named the Most Valuable Player of the series. His two-run double in the second helped break game two open.

Aycock took command early, with four runs in the first and four in the second, and never looked back.

Garrett Davis and Joseph Toler also had big games for the winners, each collecting three hits in four trips, doubling twice and driving home two runs apiece. Davis also came in to pitch the last two innings after Brandon Price, the winning pitcher, worked the first five. Price allowed only one earned run and struck out six.

Davis, a North Carolina signee, entered the finals batting .460 and was six for eight at the plate in the two games.

Cam Cockman was charged with the loss.

It was Aycock's second NCHSAA state baseball championship alltime and first since 1974. The Golden Falcons finished the campaign with a 31-4 slate under coach Charles Davis.

Southeast Guilford, which had won 14 of 15 games entering the championship, wound up 23-7 overall.

#### South Caldwell Sweeps Ashley To Win NCHSAA 4-A Baseball Crown

ZEBULON—South Caldwell took advantage of five Wilmington Ashley errors and rolled to a 10-0 victory to win the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 4-A baseball championship series at Five County Stadium.

South Caldwell won the series in two straight, with the Spartans scoring a 4-1 Friday night win also with the help of Ashley errors afield. The Saturday game was called after five innings due to the 10-run rule.

Madison Bumgarner of South was selected as the championship's Most Valuable Player. He had a two-run inside-the-park home run in the fifth that ended the game and was also walked twice intentionally, after picking up the pitching victory and striking out 12 in the opener.

Josh Sheehan had a pair of hits for the Spartans, including a double, and drove in two runs, and South's Brad Chavis had a long three-run home run in the five-run third.

Junior pitcher Jimmy Messer got the victory for South, striking out 11 in his five-inning stint as he improved his record to 15-0. Caleb Long (7-1) was the losing pitcher.

South was the NCHSAA 4-A runner-up last year and won the state championship for the first time since 1982, finishing 31-3 overall. Ashley was in the finals for the first time in the school's brief six-year history. The Screaming Eagles wound up 24-7.

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1A- HENDERSONVILLE (Graham McCormick)

2A- CARDINAL GIBBONS (Jim Freeman) 3A- SOUTHWEST GUILFORD (Cindy Seymour)

4A- PERSON (Sandy Mathews)

#### WOMEN'S GOLF

1A/2A/3A- SALISBURY (Dale Snyder) 4A- PAGE (Chris LeClerc)

#### WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

1A— HAYESVILLE (Buck Carney) 2A- CARDINAL GIBBONS (D.Chambers) 3A-T.C. ROBERSON (Dave Culp) 4A- CHAPEL HILL (Ron Olsen)

#### MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

1A- N.C. SCH. OF SCIENCE & MATH (Richard McDonald) 2A- CARDINAL GIBBONS (J. Scranton) 3A- MOORESVILLE (Michael Seretine) 4A- CHAPEL HILL (Ron Olsen)

#### WOMEN'S TENNIS (DUAL TEAM)

1A- JORDAN-MATTHEWS (Ann Mathias) 2A- SALISBURY (Chris Myers) 3A- HICKORY (Linsey Teague) 4A—- PAGE (Bruce Lanier)

#### MEN'S SOCCER

1A- DIXON (Kevin Hicks) 2A- CARDINAL GIBBONS (Tim Healy) 3A- LAKE NORMAN (Dane Perry) 4A- BROUGHTON (Izzy Hernandez)

#### **FOOTBALL**

1A- ELKIN (Richard Grissom) 1AA- THOMASVILLE (Benji Brown) 2A- HUGH CUMMINGS (Steve Johnson) 2AA- SHELBY (Chris Norman) 3A- CONCORD (E.Z. Smith) 3AA- EASTERN RANDOLPH (Burton Cates)

4A- ROSE (Greg Thomas) 4AA- INDEPENDENCE (Tom Knotts)

#### WINTER SPORTS

#### WRESTLING (DUAL TEAM)

1A- ALLEGHANY (Jimmy Rutherford) 2A- MCMICHAEL (John Bullins) 3A- PARKLAND (Maurice Atwood) 4A-CARY (Jerry Winterton)

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1A/2A- MOUNT PLEASANT (Greg Hinson) 3A- PARKLAND (Maurice Atwood) 4A- CARY (Jerry Winterton)

#### WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK

1A/2A/3A-CUMMINGS (Donald Davis) 4A-SOUTHEAST RALEIGH (George Harden)

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1A/2A/3A-PARKLAND (Antwan Hughes) 4A-SOUTHEAST RALEIGH (George Harden)

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1A/2A-CARDINAL GIBBONS (J. Turner) 3A- CHARLOTTE CATHOLIC (Brian Gross) 4A- PROVIDENCE (Sandy Martin)

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1A/2A- EAST LINCOLN (Mark Shanklin) 3A- CHARLOTTE CATHOLIC (Brian Gross) 4A- ENLOE

#### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

1A- BISHOP MCGUINNESS (Brian Robinson)

2A- SMOKY MOUNTAIN (Cindi Simmons)

3A- CARVER (Gerald Carter)

4A- SOUTH VIEW (Brent Barker)

#### MEN'S BASKETBALL

1A- THOMASVILLE (Woody Huneycutt) 2A- CUMMINGS (George Robinson) 3A- CONCORD (Andy Poplin) 4A- NEW HANOVER (Linc Lyles)

#### SPRING SPORTS

#### MEN'S GOLF

1A- EAST SURRY (Gordon Jones) 2A- LEDFORD (John Ralls) 3A- HICKORY (Ben Hale) 4A- GREEN HOPE (David Allen)

#### MEN'S TRACK AND FIELD

1A-N.C.SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND MATH (Nick Lehman) 2A- NORTH ROWAN (Matt Price) 3A- MOORESVILLE (Dwavne Jackson)

4A- NEW BERN (Bobby Curlines)

#### WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD

1A- TOPSAIL (Ian Roper/Meredith Hobson) 2A- CUMMINGS (Donald Davis)

3A- T.C. ROBERSON (Andy Morgan) 4A- HARDING UNIVERSITY (Eric Streeter)

#### MEN'S TENNIS (DUAL TEAM)

1A- TOPSAIL (Howard Hess) 2A-CARDINAL GIBBONS (Barbara Gamblin) 3A-STATESVILLE (Mike Williams) 4A-PROVIDENCE (Katy Judah)

#### WOMEN'S SOCCER

1A- RALEIGH CHARTER (John Kinney) 2A- CARDINAL GIBBONS (Michelle Miller) 3A- WHITE OAK (Buddy Carroll)

4A- APEX (Kevin Todd)

#### **BASEBALL**

1A- PRINCETON (Bruce Proctor) 2A- EAST RUTHERFORD (Bobby Revnolds) 3A- CHARLES B. AYCOCK (Charles Davis) 4A- SOUTH CALDWELL (Jeff Parham)

#### FAST PITCH SOFTBALL

1A- PENDER (Tom Roper) 2A- CENTRAL DAVIDSON (Gene Poindexter) 3A- SO'WESTERN RANDOLPH (Steve Taylor) 4A- DAVID BUTLER (Stephen Lloyd)



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