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# Sports Memorabilia Is Now On Display At North Carolina High School Athletic Association

CHAPEL HILL—Visitors to the Simon F. Terrell Building of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association may be surprised that it currently may look a little less like an office and more like a sports museum.

It is the result of months of work to build a collection of memorabilia, photos and other items recognizing outstanding athletes who participated in North Carolina high school athletics and went on to excellent careers in the collegiate or professional ranks.

Charlie Adams, executive director of the NCHSAA, says that "North Carolina has a wonderful athletic tradition and we thought it would be a great thing to highlight at the state association building. So many great athletes, coaches, administrators, game officials and media persons have been involved in the NCHSAA program over the years, and this is just a small way to preserve some of that heritage."

The Association contacted as many professional athletes from the state as it could, along with colleges and universities and a vast number of the state's top high school coaches in a wide variety of sports. "The response was overwhelming," said Adams. "We just didn't dream that this many people would want to be a part of the display and provide these items for us."

The walls of the NCHSAA offices are filled with pictures, many signed, of literally hundreds of great athletes who got their start at a North Carolina high school. Top high school coaches, game officials, media representatives and even prominent government officials who played prep sports are also featured.

In addition, there are some fascinating pieces of equipment and memorabilia on display. Visitors can see signed jerseys from James Worthy (Gastonia Ashbrook), Antawn Jamison (Charlotte Providence), and David Thompson (Crest). There is a Michael Jordan (Wilmington Laney) Chicago Bulls game uniform, and signed shoes from Buck Williams (Rocky Mount) and Jerry Stackhouse (Kinston).

Football fans will note signed helmets from former National Football League MVP Roman Gabriel (New Hanover), Charlie "Choo-Choo" Justice (Asheville Lee Edwards), and Torry Holt of the St. Louis Rams (Eastern Guilford), among others.

The basketball from the 1927 state championship game is on display, a game won by Wilmington over Winston-Salem by the unlikely score of 21-7. The last leather football helmet worn in a state championship football game (in the 1960's) may also be viewed.

Jerseys from many of the Association's male and female Athletes of the Year, including former University of Connecticut women's basketball star Shea Ralph (Fayetteville Terry Sanford), the Philadelphia Eagles' Na Brown (Reidsville), and Julius Peppers of UNC (Southern Nash), are also on display.

The main conference room in the building features photos of many of the top high school coaches through the years in a variety of sports. The building also contains sections for the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame as well



as the Hall for the North Carolina Athletic Directors Association.

"We have been very pleased with the response to our display and are always glad for people to drop in and look around," said Adams. "Any fan of high school sports in North Carolina should enjoy seeing many of these pictures and items."

The NCHSAA offices are generally open Monday through Friday,  $8\ \mathrm{a.m.}$  to  $5\ \mathrm{p.m.}$ 

## North Carolinians Excel As Game Officials

A number of outstanding officials who got their start or even continue to work in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association program have been very prominent nationally in recent times.

Three well-known North Carolina officials worked in the 2002 Rose Bowl in Pasadena, California, which was the national championship game in the Bowl Championship Series.

Courtney Mauzy, Doug Foley and Rick Page worked in that game between Miami of Florida and Nebraska.

The 2001 Rose Bowl had included long-time official John Armstrong.

Gerald Austin served as the referee in one of the National Football League conference championship games and has previously worked in the Super Bowl.

And looking back at baseball in the fall, Ron Sebastian was one of the umpires in the 2001 World Series between the Arizona Diamondbacks and the New York Yankees.

We are proud of these officials who have done a great job in high school athletics and are also doing a great job at other levels of sports. **RECORD BREAKERS?** Don't forget, if you have any potential state or national listings for the record book, there is a form in the current edition of the FormsBook 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.

## NCHSAA Board Of Directors Holds Winter Meeting

CHAPEL HILL—The North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors held its winter meeting at the Simon F. Terrell Building in December.

One of the first matters the Board dealt with had to do with an appeal from Richmond Senior High School. Richmond had petitioned the Board's Executive Committee, according to NCH-SAA Handbook policy, that the Laney High School football facility where the Eastern 4-A championship game between Richmond and Laney is scheduled was not adequate to host the game.

After receiving the report from a site inspection, the Executive Committee voted unanimously to deny the appeal and leave the game at Laney. With the full Board in session, then Richmond appealed to the full Board to move the game. The Board voted to deny the appeal and leave the game as slated on the playoff brackets at Laney.

In other items from the meeting:

- the Board issued a position statement about the televising of college football games on Friday nights: "Traditionally, Friday nights during the fall have been reserved for high school football games. Not only are these games the financial backbone of most athletic programs, but football serves the highest number of participants among our sports. The North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors strongly opposes the televising of intercollegiate football on Friday nights."
- established February 9, 2002, as the date for the state indoor track championships, with the site at the University of North Carolina's new indoor track facility. An agreement has been reached with the university for use of the facility and sponsorship has been obtained, and the Board indicated that the future of indoor track is secure
- established that women's golfers could compete in only one season (fall with women, spring with men) rather than having the option to do both under certain conditions
- took the move to bring volleyball in line with all other NCH-SAA playoffs sports, and that the Association would receive 15% of the gross revenue from games in the first three rounds. Previously the NCHSAA received no money from those games, the only sport like that
- made some changes in the dead periods for off-season skill development; now the rule will read that these sessions "are not allowed during the last five student days of each semester," in addition, the dead periods at the beginning of sports season have been adjusted for consistency, with the fall dead period now from the beginning of practice Monday the week of August 1 to September 1; in the winter, from the Monday the week of November 1 to December 1, and in the spring the Monday the week of February 15 to March 15
- the Association will go with a "three-whistle" system for soccer officiating, starting with the women's season in the spring of 2002. All three officials have equal authority on the field in the three-whistle system
- a revision of certain language in the Penalty Code has been placed on the agenda for the May Board meeting while NCHSAA legal counsel works on those adjustments
- a couple of items, including possible changes in off-season football workouts and adjusting how berths are determined for football playoffs, will be sent to the North Carolina Football Coaches Association and any recommendations from that group will come back to the Board; possible revision of the seeding process for soccer will be referred to the North Carolina

Scholastic Soccer Coaches Association to see if a recommendation is returned for discussion

• the Board rescinded an earlier action that established an invitational lacrosse tournament, so a lacrosse tourney will not be offered based on the current number of teams playing the sport

A number of other items were simply for discussion or will be placed on the May agenda for further action.

"We had a good three days," said Charlie Adams, executive director of the NCHSAA, "but it was not a meeting with one or two major controversial subjects which have been debated by the membership. Many of them were housekeeping items and things that we just wanted to make sure were clarified or adjusted."

## Tickets Available For NCHSAA Hall Of Fame Ceremonies In April

CHAPEL HILL—Tickets are now available for the annual North Carolina High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame banquet and induction ceremonies.

The event is scheduled for the Friday Center in Chapel Hill on Saturday, April 20, with a reception at six o'clock and dinner starting at seven.

This year the NCHSAA is honoring seven individuals who have made major contributions to high school athletics in North Carolina. This marks the 15th induction class for the NCHSAA Hall of Fame, which now numbers 69. Each new inductee will be highlighted by a special video presentation and will receive their special Hall of Fame ring.

Honorees at this year's event will include:

- long-time Watauga High School head football coach and athletic director Jack Groce
- veteran sports writer Tom Northington of Greensboro
- long-time Roxboro Person coach and administrator Walter Rogers
- highly successful multi-sport coach, the late Wally Shelton of Mount Airy
- former Wilkes Central High School athlete and UNC athletic director John Swofford, now commissioner of the Atlantic Coast Conference
- former game official Herb Young of Cary
- former athlete, coach, principal and superintendent Morris Walker of West Jefferson

GlaxoSmithKline, formerly Glaxo Wellcome, has provided underwriting for the NCHSAA Hall of Fame to enable it to honor individuals who have spent a lifetime in education.

"We would hope that these communities would really turn out to support these great individuals who have meant so much to so many people," said Charlie Adams, NCHSAA executive director. "The Hall of Fame ceremonies have really evolved into a special event and it is a great opportunity for former players and other supporters of these honorees to get together."

Tickets are priced at twenty-five dollars for the general public and are available by contacting the NCHSAA at (919) 962-7784.

The Hall of Fame inductees were recognized in December at the North Carolina-Southern Methodist football game at Kenan Stadium on NCHSAA Day.



## Scholarship Program Will Not Be Offered For 2001-2002 Year

CHAPEL HILL—One of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association's special programs will not be offered this year.

Since 1988, the NCHSAA has been proud to offer its Scholarship Program, which provided 16 outstanding student-athletes, one male and one female from each of the NCHSAA's eight regions, with scholarship money to assist in continuing their education at a college or university of their choice. In addition, one male and one female each received additional scholarship assistance for winning the statewide scholarship award. The state award presentations have been among of the highlights of the NCHSAA Annual Meeting, and it was one of the first programs of its type in the country.

Capitol Broadcasting Company of Raleigh has underwritten the program since its inception and has enabled the NCHSAA to provide over \$175,000 in scholarship money to many deserving student-athletes. It has been a wonderful sponsor, in addition to its support of the NCHSAA soccer program.

Unfortunately, the recent economic downturn has greatly affected some of the companies with which the NCHSAA has partnered over the years, and thus the money for the scholar-ship program has been cut. The NCHSAA's development department is in the process of seeking a sponsor for this worthy program and is confident in time the Association will be able to secure a new partner.

However, for the 2001-2002 school year the NCHSAA is going to have to suspend the program. It is hoped that it is a suspension and not a permanent cancellation, for this program symbolizes much of what the NCHSAA stands for.

The NCHSAA appreciates all those schools and outstanding

## **A Memory Forever**

"I have no better memories than those of almost thirty years that I officiated high school football and basketball. Over those years I worked all four classification championships in football and the 3-A championship in basketball. My collegiate career ended last year at the Rose Bowl, but that memory is no greater than the memory of those many nights of traveling the roads of North Carolina to work games for the young boys and girls of our great state."

—John Armstrong, official Lumberton, NC



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The NCHSAA is pleased to bring you an expanded *Bulletin*, with more news and information for the membership

student-athletes who have participated in this program since its inception, as well as all those superintendents, principals, athletic directors and coaches who served on the selection committees at both the regional and state levels.

The hope is that the Association will be able to come back with a program that retains many of the positive things about the previous scholarship program, but perhaps even in an expanded version.

## Great Lineup Planned For 31st Annual State Athletic Directors Meeting At Grove Park

ASHEVILLE—A terrific lineup of speakers and activities is set for the 31st annual conference of the North Carolina Athletic Directors Association, scheduled for the historic Grove Park Inn on March 17-20, 2002.

Early activities on Sunday, the 17th, will include an optional trip to Cherokee or the offering of the athletic administration course, LTC 501.

Monday will start with various committee meetings prior to the kickoff awards luncheon at noon. Afternoon sessions will include a Distinguished Athletic Directors Panel, including former collegiate athletic directors John Swofford (North Carolina), Carl James (Duke) and Gene Hooks (Wake Forest). Swofford, incidentally, will be inducted into the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame in April. There will be also be a presentation on risk management by renowned expert Herb Appenzeller and a session on field and turn management by North Carolina State University's Art Bruneau.

The course LTC 513, Technology Overview, will be offered on Monday evening.

Tuesday night is highlighted by the annual NCADA Hall of Fame banquet, honoring this year's inductees to that prestigious Hall.

Just some of the highlights from Tuesday sessions prior to the banquet include one on coaches education, led by NCHSAA associate executive director Que Tucker and Tim Flannery of the National Federation of State High School Associations. Another session will include information on issues in education from Dr. Brad Sneeden of the State Department of Public Instruction and Dr. Bill Church, superintendent of the Mount Airy City school system. Both are members of the NCHSAA Board of Directors.

The closing day of the conference, Wednesday, always features the NCHSAA Update, to be presented this year by executive director Charlie Adams, deputy executive director Dick Knox and NCHSAA president Charles Long. Perry Tuttle of Clemson University will be the featured speaker for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes breakfast that morning.

Athletic directors from across the state will say that this conference is annually one of the highlights of the year and provides great opportunities for professional development as well as networking with other athletic directors.

More information is available from Jerry McGee, executive director of the NCADA.

DON'T FORGET THE WEB SITE! Check out the North Carolina High School Athletic Association's site at http://www.nchsaa.unc.edu for all sorts of important information.

## North Carolina Athletic Directors Association Names Eighth Hall Of Fame Class In Induction

#### Induction at Annual State Conference in March

Four members have been named by the North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association as the eighth class for induction in its own Hall of Fame.

The new NCADA Hall of Famers include Dick Knox of Chapel Hill, Jack Musten of Winston-Salem, Don Saine of Gastonia and Sue Shinn of High Point. The four will be recognized at the annual North Carolina High School Athletic Directors Association state conference at the Grove Park Inn in Asheville, with the Hall of Fame Dinner scheduled for March 19.

The NCADA Hall of Fame has been established to recognize achievement and excellence for athletic administration. The inductees are honored at the NCADA's annual state convention, and a permanent display honoring the athletic directors' Hall of Fame is located in the offices of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association in Chapel Hill. The new class brings to 38 the number in the Hall.

This year's inductees include:

**Dick Knox**—Dick Knox, deputy executive director and supervisor of officials for the North Carolina High School Athletic Association, has been on the NCHSAA staff since 1984.

Prior to that, the native of Indianapolis, Indiana, compiled impressive credentials as a teacher and coach as well as a basketball official at the high school and college levels. Among the North Carolina schools at which he worked were Dunn, Jacksonville, Raleigh Enloe, Wilson Fike, Greensboro Smith and Greensboro Grimsley. He was head basketball coach at Dunn and Jacksonville and held head football jobs at the other schools in addition to serving as an athletic director.

He has worked closely with the NCADA during his career and has also distinguished himself by serving on National Federation rules committees in football, basketball, wrestling and baseball, including serving as chairman of the prestigious basketball rules committee.

Knox was inducted in 1991 into the Barton College Sports Hall of Fame.

**Jack Musten**—A graduate of Kernersville High School, Jack Musten had a distinguished career as a teacher, coach and administrator.

Musten served as head basketball and baseball coach at Glenn High School in Kernersville from 1955-62 and then moved to East Forsyth, where he was head baseball coach from 1962 until '85. He also served as athletic director for six years during that time at East, developing a program for the care and purchase of athletic equipment that saved the school thousands of dollars and was later adopted by other athletic directors. Musten also started a chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes at East Forsyth that is still in existence.

He is a member of several Halls of Fame, including Forsyth County (1985), Glenn High School (1996) and Wingate University Sports Hall of Fame (1993). The new gymnasium at East Forsyth was dedicated in his honor in 1986.

**Don Saine**—A native of Cherryville, Don Saine was a three-sport standout at Cherryville High School and then played base-ball at the University of North Carolina.

He began his teaching and coaching career at Dallas High School in 1962, coaching baseball and football, and then was named head football coach at Hunter Huss in Gastonia. He later became athletic director and head baseball coach at Huss during his 18-year tenure there. Saine's Huss teams won three conference football crowns and six baseball championships. He became the Gaston County athletic director in 1984, a position he held until his retirement in 1999 after 37 total years of service to the school system.

Saine was also an outstanding game official, working basketball for 22 years.

He was named the North Carolina Athletic Director of the Year in 1995-96 and has been active in the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (NIAAA). Saine has also served as president of the state's City-County Athletic Directors organization.

**Sue Shinn**—A native of Indiana and graduate of High Point University, Sue Shinn has been at High Point's T.W. Andrews High School since 1981, including serving as athletic director from 1993 to 2000.

She began her career at Griffin Junior High School, where she began the basketball, track and volleyball programs and was the middle school athletic director for five years. Shinn then moved to High Point Andrews where she coached track, basketball and volleyball during her career, winning six conference titles in track and advancing into postseason play in both of the other sports. She coached in the East-West all-star basketball game in 1988 and compiled an excellent 258-98 record as head coach in that sport.

Her school has been a perennial power in the state Wachovia Cup during her tenure at T.W. Andrews.

She is a previous winner of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association female coach of the year award for Region 5 and an NCHSAA Distinguished Service Award.

Honorees in the charter class, inducted in 1995, included NCHSAA executive director Charlie Adams, former Charlotte-Mecklenburg director of athletics Dave Harris, Russ Blunt of Durham's Hillside High School, long-time Greenville Rose athletic director and NCADA executive secretary Richard "Bud" Phillips; former High Point athletic administrator A.J. "Tony" Simeon, and Norma Harbin of Winston-Salem, the first female athletic director at a 4-A school in North Carolina.

Willie Bradshaw of Durham, Mike Brown of Wilmington, Jack Groce of Boone, Red Hoffman of Wilkesboro, Leon Brogden of Wilmington and Homer Thompson of Winston-Salem joined the Hall in 1996. The 1997 inductees included Ruth Pool of Durham, Bill Eutsler of Rockingham, Shu Carlton of Gastonia, Gilbert Ferrell of Wilson and Thell Overman of Wallace, while in '98 the Hall welcomed Jim Blake of Durham, Wat Holyfield of Raleigh, Carroll King of Raleigh, Benny Pearce of Fayetteville, Jerry McGee of Elizabeth City and Dudley Whitley of Rocky Mount. The 1999 inductees were Dave Johnson of Charlotte, Glenn Nixon of Clayton, Bob Sawyer of Greensboro and George Whitfield of Greenville, while in 2000 Don Patrick of Newton-Conover, Bill Carver of Fayetteville and Simon Terrell of Chapel Hill joined the Hall.

Last year's inductees included Carl Bolick of Charlotte, Herman Bryson of Winston-Salem, Ed Peeler of Shelby and Chip Gill of Durham.

## Lexington Designs Award To Recognize Coaches As Role Models

LEXINGTON—One North Carolina High School Athletic Association member school has clearly identified that its coaches are role models—so much so that an award has been developed to that end.

The West Lamoureaux, Jr., Coaches Award has been established by the Lexington Educational Athletic Foundation, the booster club in the Lexington City Schools.

The award is designed to recognize and show appreciation to outstanding coaches, and the criteria for the honor include "the person...exemplifies the highest teaching/coaching practices while also demonstrating and modeling characteristics of sportsmanship, positive leadership and good character during his/her season. He/she is the role model that student-athletes, parents and educators respect both on and off the court."

A special selection committee, including members of the Athletic Foundation, one non-coaching educator from each school, the principal from each school and the athletic director from each school (provided the AD is not actively coaching during the season under consideration) receives nominations and makes the award. All coaches, head or assistant, are eligible for consideration.

Two awards are to be presented at the high school, one at the fall banquet and one at the spring banquet, and one award will be presented at Lexington Middle School at its spring banquet. The committee looks at five criteria:

- **impact:** demonstrates a positive influence on the athletes' classroom performance, citizenship and overall actions beyond the playing field;
- **sportsmanship:** displays and models positive sportsmanship behavior at both practice and during the athletic events;
- **retention:** successful in cultivating athletes who return to the team for multiple seasons;
  - participation: uses players to maximum benefit of both team

## Leadership Named For Next Realignment

CHAPEL HILL—The North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors has elected the leadership for its next round of realignment activity.

Bob McRae, currently superintendent of the Randolph County schools, was selected by the Board as the overall chairman for the realignment which will be taking effect beginning with the school year 2005-2006. He chaired the previous realignment, which schools are involved with currently in the first year of the four-year cycle.

Tommy Nance, superintendent of the Columbus County schools, will serve as the Eastern co-chair, while Bill Church, superintendent of the Mount Airy city schools, will head up the Western part of realignment.

The preliminary discussions which the Board has had concerning realignment has affirmed the plans to stay with four classifications for competition.

"I think we have tremendous leadership for the next time we tackle this task," said Charlie Adams, executive director of the NCHSAA. "Bob, Tommy and Bill have all been involved with the Association for years and have great knowledge in this area. We are certainly fortunate to have them serving in this important capacity."

Other members of the Realignment Committee are scheduled to be elected at the regional meetings in the fall of 2003.

and individuals; encourages full development of athletes' abilities;

• relationship: cultivates positive relationships within the school and with parents and the community

Dr. Jim Simeon, retired superintendent and former member of the NCHSAA Board, serves as president of the Lexington Educational Athletic Foundation and says that the response to the award's concept has been great.

Lexington Senior head football coach Billy Hunt was the first recipient of the West Lamoureaux Coach's Award. Lamoureaux has been a teacher, coach and athletic director in the Lexington system and is also a long-time wrestling official with the NCHSAA.

The Bulletin is pleased to share this idea with its readers and perhaps there are other schools or school systems that might be interested in recognizing its coaches in this sort of meaningful and significant way.

### NFL Lists Survey Of Rosters; North Carolina High Schools Rank Ninth For Pro Players

The National Football League recently issued results of a study it had done of its opening-day rosters and high schools across the country, and North Carolina is in the top ten in terms of producing NFL players.

The NFL compiled the list based on the 1,643 players who were listed on the opening-day rosters for the 2001 NFL season. According to the league, players come from 1,390 high schools in 47 states plus the District of Columbia, and 16 high schools in seven foreign countries.

California has provided the largest number of high school players to the NFL with a total of 198 former California prep players on opening-day rosters. Texas was second and Florida third.

North Carolina was ninth with 53 players, right behind Virginia's 56 and ahead of South Carolina with 49.

Glades Central High School of Belle Glade, Florida, based on this survey, ranked first among high schools producing NFL players with seven in the league, followed by Thornton Township High School of Harvey, Illinois, with six.

West Charlotte Senior High School had produced the most NFL players with four. Bessemer City, Chapel Hill, New Bern and E.E. Smith of Fayetteville each had two of its alumni on NFL rosters.

## South Carolina Blanks North Carolina In Shrine Bowl

ROCK HILL—South Carolina's all-stars dominated on both sides of the ball and shut out North Carolina 17-0 in the 65th Shrine Bowl football game. in December.

It was the first time that the game had not been held in Charlotte.

The North Carolina team managed just six first downs and was held to only 32 yards in total offense, including minus-55 rushing. The North Carolina team was also hurt by seven turnovers, including five interceptions.

South Carolina had 295 yards in total offense.

Derek Morris, an offensive tackle from North Mecklenburg, was named the Most Valuable Player on offense for North Carolina while Omar Gaither of Charlotte Myers Park was the defensive MVP for the Tar Heel all-stars.



## Reflections On A Half Century Of High School Sports

#### By MARY GARBER NCHSAA Hall of Famer

(Editor's note: Mary spent a half-century covering sports for the Winston-Salem Journal-Sentinel and was one of the first female sports writers in the nation. We are grateful that she is willing to share her valuable perspective on high school sports in our state.)

High school sports have changed since the 1940s when I first started covering them. Most of the changes have made high school sports better, but at times I miss the "family type" sports that were a part of those years when schools were small.

In the 1940s, most boys played all three sports—football, basketball and baseball. Basketball was the only sport for girls. Coaches usually worked with all three sports. Sometimes the principal would also be a coach. During the war, Gray Cartwright, a student, coached and played on the same team.

Most schools had only one small gym for the boys and girls teams to share. Since most students rode the bus, the girls' team had to practice during the last period of the day. The boys' team practiced after school. A pot-bellied stove heated the gyms. If you sat close to the stove, you were hot. If you were too far away, you were cold.

On the night of a big basketball game, the gym was packed an hour before the girls game began. Once they were full, the principal often locked the doors to keep anyone else from entering. I shudder to think what would have happened if there had been a fire. A full gym meant that fans were packed into the grandstands, with the overflow sitting or standing courtside. Throwing the ball in bounds was an art, particularly if you were on the visiting team and the fans would not move to let you stand in their place.

In those days, there were few trained officials. Each team often had its own official. When a team went out of town to play, they took their official with them. In the midst of one basketball game, the home official was not calling the game to suit the home coach. The coach called a time out, walked on the court, and fired the home official on the spot. Then he went into the stands and grabbed a fan he believed would call the game right. The fan officiated the rest of the game.

Baseball umpires were even worse. In one game, the plate umpire called balls with his right hand and strikes with his left. When I suggested it was usually done the other way, he shrugged and replied, "It don't make no difference." Then I saw he was cross-eyed. In a playoff game, the visiting team coach noticed that the plate umpire and the pitcher had the same last name. He questioned whether the umpire was the boy's father. The home coach answered, "Of course not, he's just his uncle."

Many of the athletes were from farming families. Farm chores were important and it was an acceptable excuse to miss school or practice because you were needed on the farm. One year, one of the Forsyth schools was involved in the state playoffs, but they conflicted with the tobacco-planting schedule. The star pitcher's father said he was sorry but his son was needed at home and could not attend the playoffs. The coach volunteered the services of all the kids on the team to help the family, so the tobacco was planted and the pitcher played.

In most of our schools, football was a new sport. When uniforms were issued, a little boy came out to the coach holding a pair of hip pads and asked what they were. The coach had to explain to the boy what they were. The little boy tried on the hip pads, which fell around his ankles because he had no hips.

During a game, the coach sent in a substitute to play halfback. The boy ran on the field and then quickly came back. He looked at the coach and asked, "What is halfback?"

In Forsyth County, only two of the county schools played eleven-man football. The rest of the schools played six-man football. Six-man football had only six players on the field for a team at one time, and the football had to be passed at least once before you could run it past the line of scrimmage. This style of play allowed for a lot of scoring. It also gave the smaller, faster boy a chance to play football.

Mineral Springs was the first county school to have a track. It was a small, cinder track. Track shoes were scarce. An athlete would run an event, take off his shoes, and pass them on to a teammate.

Tournaments became a very popular pastime in those days. *The Winston-Salem Journal-Sentinel* had what may be the most unique basketball tournament ever. It was open to any school in the Northwest area except for the city teams. The team's record did not matter— whether you had a winning or losing season, you could still play. It was held at the R.J. Reynolds High School gym until its popularity grew and it had to move to Hanes Hosiery, which is larger and can accommodate more fans. I remember meeting a girl who had rode her horse to the train station so she could come to Winston Salem and attend the tournament. The games began in the morning and continued into the late evening hours. People would bring their lunch and supper so they could stay all day and not miss any of the action on the court.

Not only did the fans love the tournament, but it was a special treat for the athletes as well. Many of the players had never eaten in a restaurant before and most had never stayed in a hotel. One of the teams cleaned up their hotel rooms. They apologized to the staff because they could not find clean sheets and had to make the beds with the ones they had used the previous night. The big entertainment during their stay was riding up and down the elevators.

The tournament was dropped because school officials wanted the competition run by the schools. The schools had already begun to develop tournaments and teams participated in those competitions, so the Journal Sentinel Tournament ended.

Back then there was complete segregation. The late coach David Lash started football at Carver, the county's black school. Those schools did not receive much funding and there was little to no money for athletics. Coach Lash collected used uniforms from the Children's Home for his players. The shoes were also donated from the Children's Home. Players rarely found a pair out of the pile given to them that fit well. Lash had to drive the players home after practice in his car because the parents could not afford transportation. The black high schools did not have facilities to house athletic events. Atkins, the city school for black students, played its football games in the schoolyard on Friday afternoons.

The Sentinel picked players of the week for both white and black schools. We had an all-city team for both black and white schools. Then one day, we decided to combine the teams for one all-city football team. All the coaches were invited to a meeting to select the players to comprise the all-city team. It was exciting to see how hard both the white and black coaches worked to recognize players they did not know. That December, I asked the coaches to vote on what they thought was the biggest high

## National Cheerleading Safety Certification Program Available For NCHSAA Coaches

Cheer LTD., Inc., one of the NCHSAA's corporate partners, is pleased to announce a new opportunity for cheerleading coaches.

Cheer LTD., Inc. will offer a National Safety Certification Clinic to cheerleading coaches in your area at a highly discounted rate—an offer being made only to coaches in North Carolina.

The National Safety Certification Clinic will last approximately four hours (three hours of seminar and one hour of testing) and will include the National Safety Manual, National Federation of High School Spirit Rules Book and a certificate issued upon successful completion of the clinic.

The purpose of the program is to provide instruction and knowledge for cheerleading coaches in an effort to standardize and regulate cheer safety in all programs. This course strictly adheres to and follows the National Federation of High School Associations' Spirit Guidelines.

The objectives for coaches:

- $\bullet$  To be knowledgeable of cheerleading terminology and theory.
- To recognize fundamental cheer safety and specialized safety issues
- To understand the liability concerns of cheerleading safety.
- To gauge the skill level of cheer teams and proceed with proper progressions.
- To integrate the knowledge of safety gained into cheerleading practices and performances.
- To learn to systematically implement safety as the central point of coaching.

Cost of the National Safety Certification Clinic will be \$58 per coach, based on a minimum of 10 coaches attending. School athletic directors may attend free of charge. In the event that a location does not meet the minimum requirement, a minimum charge of \$580 will apply. The \$58 registration fee is a significant discount from the standard price of \$100 that applies at the National Cheerleading Coaches Conference.

Several city/county athletic directors have already contacted Cheer LTD about the possibility of hosting a National Safety Certification Clinic in a particular area. Darren J. Thompson, Director of Project Development for Cheer LTD, says, "We rec-

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school sports event of the year. One of the coaches from the black high school said the selection of a true all-city team was the most important event of the year. This was a stepping stone in ending segregation of public schools.

As schools were consolidated, the neighborhood school was lost. It was heartbreaking for many of the small schools to give up their teams. One school flew the American flag at half-mast before the consolidation.

But the larger schools brought opportunities for more sports, especially for girls. Integration opened the door for more opportunities in high school athletics. New gyms and football stadiums gave the players and the fans a better place to enjoy high school sports. All of this developed into the excellent high school athletic programs we have today.

ommend offering the clinic to your county, surrounding counties, conference or local conferences. Consider including not only your varsity coaches but also your junior varsity, junior high and/or middle school coaches.

Providing a National Safety Certification Clinic in your area is easy. All you have to do is pick a date, select a location, and then call Cheer LTD to schedule your clinic. In Fayetteville, call 488-2600, and outside of the Fayetteville area the number is 1-800-477-8868.

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## West Henderson's Stanley Receives Award In Glenn Marlow's Memory

HENDERSONVILLE—Jan Stanley of West Henderson High School has been named the third recipient of the Glenn C. Marlow Athletic Achievement Award.

The award has been established by the Sports and Recreation Committee of the Kiwanis Club of Hendersonville in honor of Glenn Marlow. Marlow was the long-time superintendent of the Henderson County Schools who served as president of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association during the 1985-86 academic year. He died in August of 1999.

The North Henderson football stadium is name d in Marlow's honor. He was active in many church and civic groups, including the Kiwanis Club of Hendersonville.

Stanley is one of the state's winningest volleyball coaches and is the only coach West Henderson has ever known, starting that program back in 1977 and having won a couple of state titles. She also coached basketball at West for many years, winning a state title in that sport in 1991.

The award is presented annually to honor an individual of character and integrity based on outstanding athletic achievement, outstanding community service, and an outstanding role model for the young people of Henderson County.

### Princeton Athletic Facilities Named For Bartholomew

PRINCETON—The sports complex at Princeton High School has been named in honor of its long-time principal.

The Fred L. Bartholomew Jr., Athletic Complex, consisting of the football stadium, baseball and softball fields, two gymnasiums and a new football field house has been named in honor of Bartholomew.

Bartholomew served as principal of the school from July 1971 until his retirement in May of 1999.

The dedication ceremonies were held during Princeton's Homecoming football game this fall.

FORMER NCHSAA INTERN SHAWNA POTTS is now the ticket manager for the University of Central Florida. Shawna was a cheerleader at West Davidson and graduated from UNC in 1996.

#### **MEN'S SOCCER**



#### Polk County Beats DSA For Inaugural 1-A Soccer Title

RALEIGH—Polk County won the first ever North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 1-A men's soccer championship, shutting out Durham School of the Arts 3-0 at the Paul Derr Track Field at N.C. State.

The 1-A and 2-A classes had competed for a single title since 1988, so this is the first year that the NCHSAA has had championships in each of its four classes.

Wolverine senior midfielder Matthew Corn was named the Most Valuable Player of the championship. His assist to David Sierk opened the scoring and gave Polk a 1-0 halftime lead.

Polk, which had won only one NCHSAA playoff game in soccer prior to this season, finished with a 17-6-4 record.

DSA wound up 14-4-4 overall.

#### NCHSAA 2001 MEN'S STATE 1-A SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP Paul Derr Track Field, N.C. State University

#### **SCORING**

31:50 Polk—David Sierk (Matthew Corn). 56:01 Polk—Joseph Pate (Matthew Corn). 77:03 Polk—Paul Sheehan (Ian Williams).



#### Charlotte Catholic Outlasts Swansboro On Penalty Kicks

RALEIGH—Charlotte Catholic and Swansboro battled through 80 scoreless minutes of regulation time, two overtimes and two sudden-death periods before Catholic edged Swansboro on penalty kicks for the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 2-A men's soccer championship at the Paul Derr Track Field at N.C. State.

Senior Aaron Blais found the net as the fifth Catholic kicker in the penalty kick series to give the Cougars an insurmountable 5-3 lead in PK's and record what officially is a 1-0 victory. Blais was named MVP of the championship.

Senior Patrick Elliot was in goal for Catholic for the entire game, including the sudden-death periods, but then the Cougars brought on freshman keeper Kevin Penrose for the penalty kicks and he came up with the save that made the difference.

Charlotte Catholic dealt Swansboro its first loss of the year and kept the Pirates from winning their fourth consecutive state crown.

#### NCHSAA 2001 MEN'S 2-A STATE SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP Paul Derr Track Field, N.C. State University

## 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 the membership.

#### Wally Shelton

MOUNT AIRY—Wally Shelton, one of the state's most successful coaches, died in late January after a long period of declining health at the age of 92.

Shelton enjoyed great success during a career in education that ran from 1931 to 1974. He was a member of the induction class of 2001-2002 for the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame, which will be officially inducted at the Hall of Fame Banquet at the Friday Center in April.

A graduate of Mount Airy High and a lifelong resident of Mount Airy, Shelton returned to his high school alma mater after graduating from UNC-Chapel Hill and compiled a brilliant coaching record. His teams won five state football championships and finished second on three other occasions, and he also coached a women's basketball team to an unofficial crown in 1949, before the onset of the official women's tournament. In fact, for 27 years he coached football, men's and women's basketball and baseball.

His record as a football head coach was an outstanding 163-63-11, and he coached in both the East-West all-star games and the Shrine Bowl.

In 1984 he was inducted into the North Carolina Sports Hall of Fame and the Mount Airy football stadium is named in his honor.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the Building Fund of First Baptist Church, 714 North Main St. Mount Airy, NC 27030; to the Wallace Shelton Scholarship Fund, Mount Airy High School, 1110 North South St. Mount Airy, NC 27030; or to the Wallace and Christine Shelton Scholarship Fund, Surry Community College 630 S. Main St. Dobson, NC 27017; or any organization or church of the donors choice.

#### **Nick Martin**

BOONVILLE—Three-sport standout Nick Martin of Starmount High School was killed in a traffic accident in late November. The senior played football, basketball and baseball and was also an honor student. He attended the Governor's School for music the summer before his senior year. He was planning to attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with career aspirations to be a lawyer.

His twin sister Meredith, also a three-sport athlete and honor student, was treated at a local hospital and released.

#### **Hickory Beats Williams 5-3** In Overtime For 3-A Title

RALEIGH-Ryan Succop had a goal and an assist in the second overtime to help lift Hickory to a thrilling 5-3 decision over Burlington Walter Williams and clinch the 16th annual North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 3-A men's soccer championship at the Paul Derr Track Field at N.C. State. Williams had led 3-1at the 56:04 mark on a goal by Andrew

Roberson, but the Red Tornadoes stormed back with a pair of goals in the final 10:01. Lawrence Te found the back of the net on Adam Whetstone's second assist of the night to make it 3-2, and then Jeff McGee's unassisted tally at the 77:09 mark tied the game.

The first overtime was scoreless, and then a goal by Patrick Phillips off a pass from Succop gave Hickory the lead for good with just 2:01 remaining.

Hickory senior midfielder Graham Auten, who scored the first goal of the night (his 15th of the year) and played an outstanding overall game, was named Most Valuable Player of the champi-

The Red Tornadoes finished 25-2-2 on the season. Burlington Williams, who entered the finals with a 10-match win streak, closed at 22-4.

#### NCHSAA 2001 MEN'S STATE 3-A SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP Paul Derr Track Field, N.C. State University

			OT			Final
Burlington Williams	2	1	0	0	_	3
Hickory						5

#### **SCORING**

1:47 Hickory—Graham Auten (Adam Whetstone). 9:47 Williams—James Merritt. 39:30 Williams—Steven Harper (Brett Smith). 56:04 Williams—Andrew Roberson (Nate Sexton). 69:59 Hickory—Lawrence Te (Adam Whetstone). 77:09 Hickory—Jeff McGee. OT 97:59 Hickory—Patrick Phillip (Ryan Succop). 99:57 Hickory—Ryan Succop.

#### **Durham Jordan Slips Past** Green Hope For 4-A Title

RALEIGH— There was no doubt the Falcons would win.

Durham Jordan's Falcons built up a 4-1 lead and then held off Morrisville Green Hope's Falcons 4-3 for the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 4-A men's soccer championship at the Paul Derr Track Field at N.C. State.

One of the largest crowds ever for an NCHSAA soccer championship witnessed the match.

Juan Martinez-Alba, the game's MVP, put Jordan up 1-0 off an assist from Sawallah Gusch just over 12 minutes in, scoring his 16th goal of the year. Then Robert Sosower scored the first of his two goals to give Jordan a 2-0 lead at the 22:15 mark.

Green Hope's Andrew Bradham fired in a rocket from 20 yards out off a pass from Chris Zeh to make it 2-1, but Sosower's rebound tally put Jordan up 3-1 6:15 before halftime.

Chase Perfect's penalty kick in the second half gave Jordan a 4-1 lead, but Green Hope made it interesting with a pair of goals within a span of 1:34 late in the game.

The state championship by Durham Jordan is its second in men's soccer and first since 1990, finishing the season at 23-2-2.

Green Hope, in only its third year of existence and second playoff appearance ever, wound up 19-5-3.

#### NCHSAA 2001 MEN'S STATE 4-A SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP Paul Derr Track Field, N.C. State University

1 Final Durham Jordan 1 3 Morrisville Green Hope 2 — 3

12:16 J-Juan Martinez-Alba (Sawallah Gusch)

22:15 J-Robert Sosower.

26:57 GH—Andrew Bradham (Chris Zeh).

33:45 J-Robert Sosower.

58:15 J—Chase Perfect penalty kick.

72:31 GH-Chad Steuck (Ryan Slocum).

74:05 GH—Casey Shandley.

#### **FOOTBALL**



#### **Maroon Devils Roll Past** Williamston In 1-A Final

CHAPEL HILL—Swain County controlled the football for over 29 minutes and intercepted six Williamston passes to down the Tigers 38-19 in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association's state 1-A football championship at Kenan Stadium.

Swain, which has won more playoff games than any other school in the state since 1972, earned its sixth state title and finished 13-2 on the season. Williamston wound up 11-4.

A punishing Maroon Devil ground game rolled up 336 yards, led by Dustin Rich's 133 yards.

Swain led 14-3 at the half and then scored three touchdowns in the space of 6:34 in the third quarter, two on interception returns, to take command.

Derrell Wiggins of Williamston was in on 19 tackles.

Post Game Awards: Wendy's Most Valuable Player: Swain QB/DB Michael Watson; Williamston-Outstanding Defensive Player OLB Derrell Wiggins; Outstanding Offensive Player SE Kevin Roach; Swain—Outstanding Defensive Player DB Dane Peterson; Outstanding Offensive Player RB Dustin Rich.

#### **STATISTICS**

STATISTICS	W'ston	Swain
First Downs	18	21
Rushes-Yards	15-66	56-336
Passing Yards	304	46
Return Yards	90	155
Passes Com-Att-Int	22-45-6	3-6-1
Punts-Avg	2-27.0	1-40
Fumbles-Fumbles Lost	3-0	2-1
Penalties-Yards	6-53	5-47
Time of Possession	18:40	29:20
Third Down Conversions	4 of 11	3 of 8

WILLIAMSTON 0 3 8 **SWAIN**  $6 \ 8 \ 18 \ 6 \ - \ 38$ 

#### SCORING

1st

4:27 SWAIN—Rich 10 run (kick blocked) 6:41 SWAIN—Watson 7 run (Anthony pass from Watson) 2nd

3:07 WILL-FG Eubanks 27 2nd

8:58 SWAIN—Pederson 35 interception return (kick 3rd blocked)

3rd 2:52 SWAIN-Winchester 5 run (pass failed)

2:24 SWAIN—Winchester 27 interception return (kick blocked)

OUR NATIONAL INTERNET PARTNER, ihigh.com, has some great information about high school athletics in our state. Don't forget to visit northcarolinaihigh.com for championship results, feature stories and lots of interesting updates on what's happening in our state.. There is also a link directly off the NCHSAA site.

- 3rd 0:34 WILL—Williams 5 pass from B. Roach (Coffield pass from B. Roach)
- 4th 4:26 SWAIN—Rich 17 pass from Watson (pass failed) 2:02 WILL—K. Roach 8 pass from B. Roach (Coffield pass from B. Roach)

#### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

RUSHING—Williamston: Tillman 11-45, B. Roach 2-13, Coffield 2-8. Swain: Rich 21-133, Watson 16-92, Winchester 12-84, Taylor 5-31.

PASSING—Williamston: B. Roach 45-22-1-304-2TD. Swain: Watson 6-3-1-46-1TD.

RECEIVING—Williamston: K. Roach 9-140, Coffield 8-77, Coley 3-74, Little 1-8, Williams 1-5. Swain: Rich 1-17, Zimmerman 1-16, Burns 1-13.

#### McLendon, Albemarle Run Wild In 66-28 Victory Over W-RH

CHAPEL HILL—Record-setting Albemarle and star running back T.A. McLendon added to their list of accomplishments, scoring a Kenan Stadium record 66 points in a 66-28 victory over Wallace-Rose Hill for the North Carolina High School Athletic Association's 1-AA football championship.

McLendon scored seven touchdowns, adding to his national record, and rushed for 293 yards to go over 3,000 yards for the season.

Albemarle exploded for a Kenan record 28 points in the second quarter to take command and scored on 10 of its 12 possessions in the game.

Albemarle closed out a 15-1 season while Wallace-Rose Hill ended 13-2.

Post Game Awards: Wendy's Most Valuable Player: Albemarle RB T.A. McLendon. Wallace-Rose Hill—Outstanding Defensive Player MLB Phillip Pitstick; Outstanding Offensive Player HB Basim Herring. Albemarle—Outstanding Defensive Player LB Doc Farris; Outstanding Offensive Player QB Jordan Morgan.

#### **STATISTICS**

		W-I	RH		Albemarl	e
First Downs		25			23	
Rushes-Yards		66-	402		45-3639	
Passing Yards		28			114	
Return Yards		159	)		73	
Passes Com-Att-Int		2-8	-0		7-10-0	
Punts-Avg		2-3	8.0		1-53	
Fumbles-Fumbles Lost		4-4			3-1	
Penalties-Yards		6-5	1		10-79	
Time of Possession		28:	19		19:41	
Third Down Conversions		7 o	f 12		3 of 7	
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WALLACE-ROSE HILL	1	7	7	7		
ALBEMARLE	7	28	10	21	<b>—</b> 66	

#### SCORING

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1st	5:11 A—McLendon 1 run (Lewis kick)
	0:26 W-RH—Pender 12 run (Myers kick)
2nd	11:31 A—McLendon 1 run (Lewis kick)
	10:33 A—Harris 18 pass from Morgan (Lewis kick)
	9:25 W-RH—Herring 9 run (Myers kick)
	1:10 A—McLendon 17 run (Lewis kick)
	0:04 A—McLendon 12 run (Lewis kick)
3rd	9:48 A—McLendon 3 run (Lewis kick)
	6:22 A—FG Lewis 35
	2:12 W-RH—Pender 1 run (Myers kick)
4th	11:14 A—McLendon 2 run (Lewis kick)
	8:01 W-RH—Costin 1 run (Myers kick)
	7:00 A—Potts 3 run (Lewis kick)

3:02 A-McLendon 64 run (Lewis kick)

#### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

RUSHING—W-RH: Herring 20-122, Pender 10-101, Costin 8-73, Hall 7-42. Albemarle: McLendon 31-289, Brooks 6-73.

PASSING—W-RH: Tate 8-2-0-28-0TD.Albemarle: Morgan 10-7-0-114-1TD.

RECEIVING—W-RH:M.Teachey 1-20-, K.Teachey 1-8. Albemarle: Harris 5-97, Dry 1-9, McLendon 1-8.

#### Clinton Rallies Past Burlington Cummings 34-22

CHAPEL HILL—Clinton's Herbert Dixon scored four touchdowns, including a pair within a 24-second span late in the game, to lead the Dark Horses past Burlington Cummings 34-22 for the North Carolina High School Athletic Association 2-A state football championship.

Dixon's 39-yard burst for his third TD put the Dark Horses ahead 27-22 with 1:38 to play, capping an eight-play, 72-yard march. Then he picked off a pass and ran it in from 32 yards out to seal the victory. Dixon rushed for 103 yards and was in on six tackles.

Drew Williamson of Cummings threw for 242 yards and a pair of scores for the Cavaliers, who finished 14-1. Clinton wound up 15-0 and won its fourth NCHSAA football crown since 1990.

Post Game Awards: Wendy's Most Valuable Player; Clinton FB/LB Herbert Dixon; Clinton—Outstanding Defensive Player LB Stephon Morrisey; Outstanding Offensive Player HB Rickey Warren; Cummings—Outstanding Defensive Player ILB Matt Chrisp; Outstanding Offensive Player QB Drew Williamson.

#### **STATISTICS**

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			Cu	mmiı	ngs	Clir	iton
First Downs			18		0	14	
Rushes-Yards			24	-52		36-	195
Passing Yards			24	2		109	)
Return Yards			14	9		58	
Passes Com-Att-Int			21	-39-2		7-13	2-0
Punts-Avg			4-2	22.5		5-3	5.0
Fumbles-Fumbles Lost			0-0			2-1	
Penalties-Yards			11	-109		7-4	7
Time of Possession			25	:31		22:	29
Third Down Conversi	ons		3 c	of 11		6 of	12
CLINTON	7	8	0	7	_	22	
CUMMINGS	7	0	6	21	_	34	

#### SCORING

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1st 0:00 Cummings—Manning 21 pass from Williamson (Olivares kick)

2nd 1:50 Cummings—Enzlow 21 pass from Williamson (Williamson run)

3rd 7:50 Clinton—Dixon 32 run (run failed)

4th 8:49 Clinton—Hicks 35 pass from Howard (Dixon run)

4th 6:02 Cummings—Gray 30 run (Olivares kick)

4th 1:38 Clinton—Dixon 39 run (run failed)

4th 1:14 Clinton—Dixon 32 interception return (Williamson kick)

#### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

RUSHING—Clinton: Dixon 15-103, Warren 18-92. Cummings: Gray 5-39, Harris 3-24, Williamson 16-(-11).

PASSING—Clinton: Horne 11-6-0-74-0TD, Howard 1-1-0-35-1TD; Cummings: Williamson 39-21-2-242-2TD.

RECEIVING—Clinton: Howard 3-47, Hicks 1-35, Wells 1-21, Warren 1-10, Dixon 1-(-4)l; Cummings: Hinton 5-60, Manning 5-46, Harris 5-45, Enzlow 3-78, Gray 2-11, Manning 1-2.

#### Independence Wins 2nd Straight Crown, Beats Laney

CHAPEL HILL—Independence quarterback Chris Leak tossed four touchdowns passes and threw for 298 yards to lead the Patriots to a 49-25 triumph over previously unbeaten Wilmington Laney in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 4-A football championship game at Kenan Stadium.

Leak was the championship game MVP for the second year in a row as the Patriots completed their second consecutive 15-0 season.

Laney, which had allowed only 54 points in its previous 15 games, bolted to a quick 13-0 lead before Independence responded with a stretch of five straight possessions which ended in touchdowns. Four turnovers hurt the Buccaneer cause, giving Independence average starting field position at the Laney 49 in the second half.

Post Game Awards: Wendy's Most Valuable Player: QB Chris Leak, Independence; Independence—Outstanding Defensive Player LB Jeff Romanelli; Outstanding Offensive Player WR Eric Lyon; Laney—Outstanding Defensive Player DB Ashad Yeoman; Outstanding Offensive Player HB Tony Hicks.

STATISTICS		Laney	Ind
First Downs		16	17
Rushes-Yards		50-261	28-140
Passing Yards		113	298
Return Yards		186	105
Passes Com-Att-Int		6-12-1	13-27-1
Punts-Avg		3-29.0	2-33.5
Fumbles-Fumbles Los	t	4-4	2-2
Penalties-Yards		6-48	5-70
Time of Possession		26:26	21:34
Third Down Conversion	ns	3 of 10	1 of 8
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LANEY	13	0	0	12	_	25
INDEPENDENCE	0	21	21	7	_	49

#### **SCORING**

1st 4:49 L—Walker 1 run (Cameron kick)
1st 2:15 L—Hicks 64 run (run failed)
2nd 9:53 Ind—McCauley 86 pass from Leak (Berman kick)
2nd 8:32 Ind—Pearson 28 interception return (Berman kick)
2nd 1:11 Ind—Lyon 16 pass from Leak (Berman kick)
3rd 10:38 Ind—Crowe 3 run (Berman kick)
3rd 8:02 Ind—Crowe 16 run (Berman kick)
3rd 4:33 Ind—Raley 28 pass from Leak (Berman kick)
4th 9:40 L—Tindall 34 pass from Holliday (pass failed)
4th 7:34 Ind—McCauley 29 pass from Leak (Berman kick)
4th 7:21 L—Davis 97 kickoff return (run failed)

#### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

RUSHING—Independence: Crowe 24-135, Leak 4-5; Laney: Hicks 17-1155, Walker, 12-65, Davis 12-64, Holliday 5-14.

PASSING: Independence: Leak 27-13-1-298-4TD; Laney: Holliday 12-6-1-113-1TD.

RECEIVING: Independence: Lyon 5-83, Raley 3-59, McCauley 2-115, Autry 2-41, Crowe 1-0; Laney: Tindall 4-90, Thomas 1-17, Walker 1-6.

#### Winston-Salem Parkland Gets Past Crest By 27-21

CHAPEL HILL—Jed Bines rushed for 203 yards and a pair of touchdowns to lead Winston-Salem Parkland to a 27-21 victory over previously unbeaten Crest for the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 3-A football championship at Kenan Stadium.

The 3-A championship was held a week later than the other four title games since litigation had delayed the playoffs in that classification.

Bines finished the season with 3,388 yards rushing, the secondbest mark in North Carolina history.

The turnover filled contest saw the ball change hands 11 times by fumbles or interceptions. Crest suffered six turnovers, including four passes picked off.

Parkland took a 14-0 halftime lead, one on a 59-yard scoring run by Bines, and then turnovers set up the next three scores of the game. Crest cut it to 21-14 in the fourth quarter on a fumble return by Leon Huskey, but Monte Purvis broke loose for a 50-yard scoring run less than two minutes later that provided the winning margin.

Post Game Awards: Wendy's Most Valuable Player: RB Jed Bines, Winston-Salem Parkland; Parkland—Outstanding Defensive Player MLB Jeff Middleton; Outstanding Offensive Player QB Monte Purvis; Laney—Outstanding Defensive Player SS Leon Huskey; Outstanding Offensive Player E Monte Smith.

#### **STATISTICS**

	Parkland	Crest
First Downs	15	16
Rushes-Yards	52-356	36-141
Passing Yards	19	155
Return Yards	71	95
Passes Com-Att-Int	1-4-1	8-24-4
Punts-Avg	3-25.6	2-49.0
Fumbles-Fumbles Lost	4-4	3-2
Penalties-Yards	15-158	1-11
Time of Possession	26:27	21:33
Third Down Conversions	3 of 11	1 of 9

PARKLAND	0	14 7	6 -	<b>—</b> 27
CREST	0	0 7	14 -	- 21

#### SCORING

2nd 10:53 P—Jordan 19 pass from Purvis (Henkel kick) 2nd 8:37 P—Bines 59 run (Henkel kick) 3rd 9:13 C—Smith 35 pass from Boone (Roberts kick) 3rd 1:58 P—Bines 2 run (Henkel kick) 4th 11:41 C—Huskey 14 fumble return (Roberts kick)

4th 9:58 P—Purvis 50 run (kick failed) 4th 5:22 C—Petty 18 pass from Boone (Roberts kick)

#### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

RUSHING—Parkland: Bines 31-203, Purvis 13-124, Jordan 8-29; Crest: Littlejohn 12-59, Boone 12-42, Padget 11-40.

PASSING—Parkland: Purvis 4-1-1-19-1TD; Crest: Boone 24-8-4-155-2TD.

RECEIVING—Parkland: Jordan 1-19; Crest: Smith 3-67, Lee 2-59. Petty 2-26, Thurman 1-3.



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