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## Northern Durham's Davis, DSA's Armwood Are Named NCHSAA Athletes Of The Year At 2002 Annual Meeting

CHAPEL HILL—Katrell Armwood of the Durham School of the Arts and A.J. Davis of Northern Durham High School have been named winners of the 2002 Athlete of the Year awards by the North Carolina High School Athletic Association.

These are the top athletic awards given by the NCHSAA to honor the most outstanding male and female high school athletes in the state. They were presented at the Dean Smith Center on the University of North Carolina campus during the NCHSAA's Annual Meeting.

Both Armwood and Davis were nominated and selected by a special panel of media representatives from across the state. They were each presented with the Pat Best Memorial Trophy, named for

the former Goldsboro High principal and president of the NCHSAA who died unexpectedly in 1988.

"We congratulate these fine student-athletes on their great achievements during their high school careers," said Charlie Adams, executive director of the NCHSAA. "Both Katrell and A.J. have tremendously impressive credentials along the lines of the previous outstanding winners of this award. We certainly wish them the best in the future." It is the first time both athletes are from the same school system.

Davis has been among the nation's top performers in both football and track during his high school career. He was listed as one of the top 25 players in the country by USA Today and played in both the Shrine Bowl and the U.S Army All-American Bowl. He was a four-year varsity player for the perennially strong Northern Durham program, playing both wide receiver and cornerback.

He has captured a total of nine individual NCHSAA championships in track, both indoor and outdoor. He was the Most Valuable Performer in the 2002 indoor championships and won two titles in last year's outdoor meet. Davis has won the long jump, triple jump and high jump state championships during his prep career. He will be attending North Carolina State University on a football scholarship.

Armwood is a three-sport star at Durham School of the Arts. She was the Most Valuable Player in the NCHSAA state 1-A volleyball championships as she led her team to the state title and was Player of the Year in that sport in the Tar Roanoke Conference. In basketball, she averaged 14 points, nine rebounds, 2.8 assists and 2.8 steals and was runner-up for conference player of the year in women's basketball.

In outdoor track, Armwood has won several state championships during her career, including winning the triple jump, 300 meter intermediate hurdles, 100 meter high hurdles and long jump, and has been runner-up in an event on six other occasions. In addition, Armwood carries a brilliant 4.302 grade point average.

### NCHSAA ATHLETES OF THE YEAR Winners of the Pat Best Memorial Trophy

1985-86	Pam Doggett, Dudley Patrick Lennon, Whiteville
1986-87	Andrea Stinson, North Mecklenburg Robert Siler, Jordan-Matthews
1987-88	LeAnn Kennedy, Trinity Chester McGlockton, Whiteville
1988-89	Danyel Parker, Clinton Ethan Albright, Grimsley
1989-90	Karen Davis, Forbush David Inman, Terry Sanford
1990-91	Christy Cagle, Hayesville Mike Kendall, Albemarle
1991-92	Wendy Palmer, Person Rusty LaRue, Northwest Guilford
1992-93	Holly Hill, Southwestern Randolph Tyrone Westmoreland, South Iredell
1993-94	Jamie Parsons, Millbrook Brian Roseboro, T.Wingate Andrews
1994-95	Aedrin Murray, Chatham Central Na Brown, Reidsville
1995-96	Shea Ralph, Terry Sanford Titcus Pettigrew, West Forsyth
1996-97	Jackie Houston, Kings Mountain Tyrell Godwin, East Bladen
1997-98	Clifeteana McKiver, East Duplin Julius Peppers, Southern Nash
1998-99	Anna Tharrington, Southern Nash Nick Maddox, A.L. Brown
1999-2000	Courtney Willis, Terry Sanford Manny DeShauteurs, Brevard
2000-01	Molly Pyles, Hendersonville Derrele Mitchell, R.J. Reynolds
2001-02	Katrell Armwood, Durham School of Arts A.J. Davis, Northern Durham



2002 NCHSAA Athletes of the Year A.J. Davis and Katrell Armwood.  
(NCHSAA Photo by John Bell)

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## NCHSAA Board Of Directors Makes Major Changes

CHAPEL HILL—The North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors concluded its spring meeting, one that executive director Charlie Adams noted was “monumental” due a number of important issues that were addressed.

The Board took the action to subdivide the football playoffs for 2-A, 3-A and 4-A in similar fashion to what was done in the 1-A classification for the 2001 football season. The subdivision means that 64 teams will qualify in football in each of those classes and then will be ranked largest to smallest by average daily membership, to be divided in half. The 32 larger schools will play in the “AA” portion of the playoffs (4-AA, 3-AA, 2-AA, with more A's in high school athletic terminology meaning larger, such as 4-A schools being larger than 3-A schools), while the 32 smaller schools will play in the “A” portion (4-A, 3-A and 2-A).

Those schools will then be divided East and West and then seeded according to the NCHSAA procedure for seeding. The total subdivision concept, which the 1-A schools will follow for a second year in the fall of 2002, will be evaluated next year.

The eight state football championships also necessitated some adjustment in the sites for those finals. The Board approved, for 2002, the following schedule: the 4-A, 1-AA and 1-A finals will be held at Kenan Stadium in Chapel Hill, while the 4-AA, 3-A and 3-AA will be played at Carter-Finley Stadium in Raleigh. The 2-A and 2-AA games will be slated for Groves Stadium in Wake Forest, contingent upon finalizing funding. Sites will rotate each year, if the subdivision continues to be done. All championship games will be played on December 14 this year.

In other actions, the Board of Directors decided the following:

- an adjustment was made in the NCHSAA's off-season skill development policies for football, to take effect next year. Coaches will be able to work with up to 21 athletes in a single day, in skill development sessions. Helmets and shoulder pads will be required for these, with no body-to-body contact allowed. The Board emphasized that the policy still means that sessions “must be voluntary, and that “at no time during the school year may any off-season team gather with all positions represented. Any team practice or game environment created in an off-season skill development session is prohibited during the 180-day school calendar.

- starting with the 2003 basketball championships, four games (two men's and two women's) will be played at the Smith Center in Chapel Hill and the other four at the Entertainment and Sports Arena in Raleigh. The 4-A and 2-A finals will be played at the Smith Center and the 1-A and 3-A championships at the ESA for 2003, and those championships will rotate between those two facilities for the current realignment period.

- the soccer field for playoffs in each classification will move from 32 to 48 teams, using the predetermined brackets currently used for basketball, and teams will not be seeded.

- several new sites were established for certain state championships. The state cross country championships will move to



*Board Members Vote On Issues At Meeting*

- Tanglewood in Winston-Salem from McAlpine Park in Charlotte for the next three years. Wrestling will take place at Lawrence Joel Coliseum in Winston-Salem for the next three years after a run at Cricket Arena in Charlotte. In addition, a three-year contract has been confirmed for all of the state track and field outdoor championships to take place at the Paul Derr Track on the N.C. State campus.

- contracts have been approved to keep the Eastern Regional basketball tournament in Greenville and the Western Regionals in the Hickory area through 2005.

- starting with the 2005 season, football teams will have 11 weeks to play 11 games, which would include 10 regular season games and the optional Endowment game, rather than the current schedule which gives an additional week to play 11 games.

- starting with the 2005-2006 academic year, which will be the initial year of another four-year realignment, the length of the standard game contracts required in football and basketball will be just two years. Schools currently have an option of two or four-year contracts, but with the number of new schools opening it makes it very difficult to create schedules for them if all the other schools are locked into four-year contracts.

- the cost of the mandatory catastrophic insurance that is carried for all student-athletes in the NCHSAA program is going up from \$3.50 to \$3.75 per individual.

- updated the levels of fines as listed in the Penalty Code, the first revision of the fines in almost 20 years.

- made a series of editorial adjustments in some of the language about ineligible players based on recommendations from legal counsel.

- made an adjustment in the sportsmanship policy about ejections so that five cumulative yellow cards will be considered an ejection, subject to the NCHSAA penalty of sitting out games; red cards which are not sportsmanship ejections or red-yellows will be considered two yellows for these purposes, and schools will be responsible for tracking these.

- the clock operator assigned for football playoffs will be paid \$35 and may come from the host school's booking association to cut down on travel and expenses.



## Special Awards Presented At NCHSAA Annual Meeting

CHAPEL HILL—Several special awards were given by the North Carolina High School Athletic Association at the NCHSAA's 2002 Annual Meeting.

The Russell E. Blunt Legend Award is named for the long-time Durham Hillside track coach who is in the NCHSAA Hall of Fame and one of three North Carolinians in the National High School Sports Hall of Fame. At one time he was the oldest active coach in America, guiding his teams well into his 80's.

This award, which goes to a true "legend" in athletics, went to Mike Krzyzewski, head men's basketball coach at Duke University. A graduate of the United States Military Academy, Krzyzewski is one of only four coaches in NCAA history to have his teams earn three or more national championships, leading the Blue Devils to three national titles and nine Final Four appearances since 1986. His teams have won an amazing 637 games in his 27 years as a Division I head coach.

The Robert B. Jamieson Notable Names honors those with outstanding careers in sports who went on to excellence after high school. The award is named for the late Bob Jamieson, a charter member of the NCHSAA Hall of Fame and one of the founders of the North Carolina Coaches' Association. This year's recipient was Woody Durham, an Albemarle High School graduate and long time play-by-play announcer for the Tar Heel Sports Network.

A 10-time North Carolina Sportscaster of the year, Durham has broadcast 1,380 UNC football and basketball games during his 31-year career as voice of the Tar Heels and has been a great supporter of the NCHSAA.

The Jay Robinson Priceless Gem Award was given to Dr. Bob McRae, superintendent of the Randolph County schools. This honor is named for the late Dr. Jay Robinson, former superintendent of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg schools and member of the State Board of Education who is the only three-time president of the NCHSAA.

McRae is a former president of the NCHSAA and twice has served as chairman of the Realignment Committee. He served the Kings Mountain City School system for 15 years as superintendent before moving to the Randolph County post.

Two outstanding officials received the Joe Eblen Officials/Booking Agents Award, named for Asheville's Joe Eblen, an NCHSAA Hall of Famer whose active officiating spanned over 50 years. The officials recognized included Herman Hines of Reidsville and Doug Holleman of Cary.

Other special awards were:

Bob Sawyer Unsung Hero Award: Richard Prince, Myers Park High School

Norma Harbin Distinguished Service Award: Martha Land, principal, Mount Tabor High School, Winston-Salem

Donald Bonner Award of Merit: Eva Patterson-Heath, Red Springs High School

Bill Carver Proclamation Award: Carolyn Rogers, Perquimans High School; James Elliott, Durham School of the Arts



*Russell Blunt Legend Award Winner Mike Krzyzewski Gets Award with (from left) Charles Long, Russell Blunt and executive director Charlie Adams. (NCHSAA Photo by John Bell)*

Don Patrick Citation Award: Lee Mauney, former athletic director, Cary High School

Jerry McGee Spirit Award: Sheila Boles, athletic director, Hoggard High School, Wilmington

NCHSAA Medical Award: Al Proctor, Raleigh

Theresa Banks President's Choice Award: Donald Bonner, Rowland

Simon Terrell Director's Choice Award: Kathy Stefanou, volleyball coach, Millbrook High School, Raleigh

L.J. "Hap" Perry Director's Choice Award: Dan Dougherty, East Carolina Football Officials Association, Jacksonville

Leon Brogden Special Person Award: Pete Shankle, athletic director, Southern Durham

## Eight Coaches Receive Homer Thompson Sportsmanship Awards From NCHSAA

CHAPEL HILL— Eight “coaches who make a difference” by virtue of their exemplary sportsmanship were honored by the North Carolina High School Athletic Association at the NCHSAA’s Annual Meeting.

The coaches were selected for the Homer Thompson Memorial Eight Who Make a Difference award. The award is named in honor of the late Homer Thompson, the long-time Winston-Salem Parkland coach and member of the NCHSAA Hall of Fame. “It is fitting that Homer Thompson’s name be affixed to an award about coaches who make a difference,” said Adams, “for Homer certainly did make a difference in the lives of many and truly was an outstanding role model.”

The winners were chosen by a special committee based on nominations from the member schools. They received a plaque from NCHSAA associate executive director Que Tucker as part of the Association’s student services program.

Coaches receiving this honor for 2001-2002 include the following:

- Southern Alamance athletic director David Vaughn
- South Stanly head football coach Kerry Billingsley
- Davie County head women’s basketball and head women’s tennis coach Carol Cozart
- Hope Mills South View assistant football and assistant men’s basketball coach Bill Dockery
- Asheville head men’s and women’s swimming coach Nancy Oliver
- Mount Pleasant head wrestling, head men’s track, and assistant football coach Greg Hinson
- South Johnston athletic director Ronald Avery
- Raleigh Sanderson cheerleading and gymnastics coach Jocelyn Bradford



NCHSAA Photo by John Bell

### Homer Thompson Memorial Sportsmanship Award Winners At Annual Meeting

Each school had the opportunity to nominate one of its coaches for this award. “These coaches provide excellent role models with their positive approach,” says NCHSAA executive director Charlie Adams.

GlaxoSmithKline, a long-time supporter of the NCHSAA, underwrites the recognition for high school coaches.

## Scholar-Athlete Winners Named By NCHSAA

CHAPEL HILL—Over 13,000 individual awards have been given by the North Carolina High School Athletic Association to student-athletes for their achievements in the classroom as well as on the playing court or athletic field.

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

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. For the fall semester of 2001, a total of 7,027 student-athletes qualified for this award.

In the team division, a varsity team earns Scholar-Athlete recognition by attaining a 3.1 aggregate GPA on a straight 4.0 scale for that designated semester. The school receives a certificate from the NCHSAA honoring the accomplishment and each member of the squad receives a certificate. A whopping 563 varsity teams from across the state achieved this distinction.

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. Greensboro Grimsley had one of the best semesters a school has ever had in the history of the Scholar-Athlete program, with six of its varsity squads attaining the top GPA’s in

their respective sports in the state. North Stokes had the highest GPA in both men’s and women’s basketball.

Two other teams put together unusually high GPA’s in their sport: South Rowan’s women’s cross country team with an aggregate 3.933 and West Henderson’s volleyball squad with a 3.93.

“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.”

### SCHOLAR-ATHLETE TEAM AWARD WINNERS NCHSAA Fall and Winter Sports (Fall Semester 2001)

North Stokes	Women’s Basketball	3.859
North Stokes	Men’s Basketball	3.586
South Rowan	Women’s C-Country	3.933
E. Columbus	Cheerleading	3.818
W. Henderson	Volleyball	3.930
Asheboro	Women’s Golf	3.792
Grimsley	Men’s C-Country	3.857
Grimsley	Women’s Tennis	3.651
Grimsley	Men’s Swimming	3.800
Grimsley	Women’s Swimming	3.660
Grimsley	Women’s Indoor Track	3.651
Grimsley	Men’s Soccer	3.696
Kings Mountain	Wrestling	3.320
West Wilkes	Men’s Indoor Track	3.510

## State Award Winners Honored At NCHSAA Annual Meeting

CHAPEL HILL— Coaches, administrators and media representatives were among those receiving awards when the North Carolina High School Athletic Association held its 2002 Annual Meeting.

The Association annually presents these statewide awards in several different categories, all based on those “who have done the most for high school athletics” rather than a single accomplishment or having an outstanding won-loss record. All state winners are previous regional award winners, and the regional awards are actually voted on by school administrators and coaches in the respective regions.

The awards are named in memory or in honor of outstanding individuals in each category, three of whom are current members of the NCHSAA Hall of Fame. The state winners for 2002 include:

- Doris Howard Female Coach of the Year: Zoe Bell of Charlotte Providence has been in coaching for 20 years, including 13 at Providence. Her volleyball teams there have posted an outstanding 305-78 record with eight conference championships and she has also coached softball for 11 years. She is a seven-time high school Coach of the Year and prior to coming to Providence coached seven years and four different sports at Alexander Graham Middle School.

- Harvey Reid Male Coach of the Year: Bob Lewis of Clinton has had a terrific head football coaching career at several stops, which includes a 227-98-6 career mark and a 157-27 slate in 14 years at Clinton. His Dark Horse teams there won four NCHSAA state titles in the last 12 seasons. He also was head football coach at East Bladen (1972-80) and Pender (1980-86). Bob was also the Associated Press High School Football Coach of the Year in 2001.

- Dave Harris Athletic Director of the Year: Ralph Holloway is currently the principal at East Carteret after serving as athletic director for several years at West Carteret. He is a member of the Boards of Directors of both the NCHSAA and the North Carolina Athletic Directors Association. He was an outstanding coach in football and track during stints at Burlington Cummings and Kinston, and is a 1975 graduate of Elizabeth City State University.

- Bob Deaton Principal of the Year: Theresa Banks of Madison is now in the associate superintendent in that county school system after a successful stint as Madison High School principal. She is a former member of the NCHSAA Board of Directors and was the first female president of the Association during the 1999-2000 academic year.

- Bob McRae Superintendent of the Year: Tommy Nance of Columbus County has been superintendent there since 1991 and has been very involved with the NCHSAA during that time. He has served three times on the Realignment Committee and has chaired a regional scholarship committee for over a decade. Prior to his stint in the central office, he was a principal at West Columbus High School for nine years and an elementary principal for eight years.

- Tim Stevens Media Representative of the Year: Tom Ham of the Jacksonville Daily News has done an excellent job covering high school athletics throughout his career, including stops at the Kinston Free Press, Rocky Mount Evening Telegram and then for 29 years as sports editor or executive sports editor of the Wilson Daily Times. He has been previously honored for his media work by the North Carolina

American Legion, the North Carolina Baseball Coaches Association, and the Wilson Hot Stove League.

- Elton Hawley Athletic Trainer of the Year: Dr. Tim Taft of the University of North Carolina has provided great service to athletes from both the college and high school levels for many years. He is a graduate of Princeton with his MD from the University of Missouri. He has also served as the team physician for many U.S national teams in a variety of sports and at the Atlanta Olympics.

In terms of background of the award's names, here are some highlights:

Doris Howard of Fayetteville was one of the state's most successful female coaches during a 41-year career at Hope Mills, Central and Cape Fear High Schools, winning 533 games in basketball, and is in the NCHSAA Hall of Fame.

Harvey Reid, also an NCHSAA Hall of Famer, is the state's all-time winningest basketball coach with over 800 victories, most of which came at Wilson Fike.

Dave Harris was the athletic director of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg schools from 1967 to '91 after an excellent football coaching career, primarily at Harding. He was a charter member of the NCHSAA Hall of Fame.

Bob Deaton was one of the state's outstanding high school principals during a long career in education, primarily at Winston-Salem R.J. Reynolds, and was president of the NCHSAA in 1977-78.

Bob McRae is now the superintendent in Randolph County after a long career at Kings Mountain and was president of the NCHSAA in 1997-98. He has served as chair of the Realignment Committee as well as in other NCHSAA capacities.

Tim Stevens is the long time prep sports editor at the Raleigh News and Observer and has been recognized nationally for his work covering high school athletics.

Elton Hawley is a native of Dunn who for many years was the athletic training coordinator for the Charlotte-Mecklenburg schools and was the initial inductee into the North Carolina Athletic Trainer Association Hall of Fame.

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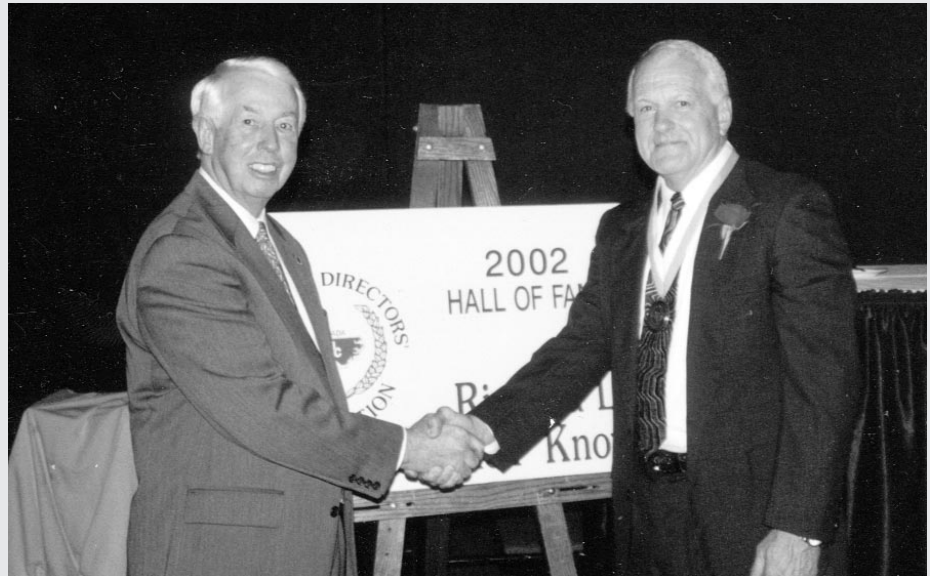
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## Knox Honored At NCADA Hall of Fame

*Dick Knox of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association was one of the inductees for the North Carolina Athletic Directors Hall Of Fame in ceremonies at the NCADA state convention. Here executive director Charlie Adams, left, congratulates Dick on his honor at the banquet at the Grove Park Inn in Asheville. "Dick is a great choice for the athletic directors' Hall of Fame," says Adams, who himself is a member of that prestigious Hall. "He has spent a lifetime in athletics and for the last 18 years has administered athletics at the highest level in our state. We are proud of his accomplishments."*



## Three Receive Courage Awards From NCHSAA At Meeting

CHAPEL HILL—Three individuals were honored by the North Carolina High School Athletic Association at its 2002 Annual Meeting with the NCHSAA's A.J. "Tony" Simeon Courage Awards.

The awards were presented to Bettie Ballard, Northampton-West coach; Ronnie Luck, athletic director at South View High in Hope Mills, and Raleigh Enloe student-athlete Ryan Guirlinger.

The Courage Awards are designed to honor individuals who, despite adversity, have demonstrated exemplary character and performance and, as a result, have been an inspiration to all those involved with the programs of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association. They are named in honor of A.J. "Tony" Simeon, a member of the NCHSAA Hall of Fame and long-time coach at High Point Central.

Bettie Ballard lost basically all of her possessions due to the floods that occurred during Hurricane Floyd. She continued to coach, serve as athletic director and as a role model for her student athletes despite this setback. She has been at Northampton County-West for 18 years and has been athletic director since 1986. She has also coached women's basketball, volleyball, softball and track.

Ronnie Luck has been athletic director and assistant principal at South View since '97. His career has included coaching stints at Hallsboro, Tar Heel, Seventy First and Cape Fear High Schools primarily in football and baseball, in addition to junior highs. He has been battling cancer (non lymphatic Hodgkin's) with a wonderful attitude, as he has gone through chemotherapy, and the cancer is currently in remission.

Ryan Guirlinger is a four-year letterwinner in swimming for the Enloe Eagles. He was captain of this year's state champs, but suffered paralysis from the knees down after complications from oral surgery last May. Through sheer hard work and determination, he battled back and wound up qualifying for the regionals in February after not being able to walk without

braces during the summer. He is headed to Maryland to study broadcast journalism.

"It is always an emotional thing but one of the highlights of the Annual Meeting," said Charlie Adams, executive director of the NCHSAA. "These individuals are truly inspirational and say so much about what is good about high school athletics."



NCHSAA Photo by John Bell

**A.J. "Tony" Simeon Courage Award Winners**  
(from left) Ryan Guirlinger, Bettie Ballard and Ronnie Luck

## NCHSAA Sportsmanship Winners For Winter Championships Listed

CHAPEL HILL—The North Carolina High School Athletic Association has announced the recipients of its NCHSAA Championship Student Services Sportsmanship Awards for the winter sports of 1996-97.

Awards have been announced in indoor track, swimming, wrestling, and basketball.

These team recognitions salute superior sportsmanship and promote the importance of clean play. The awards focus attention on the quality of the athletic experience, rather than the winner of a particular championship. A special committee at selected NCHSAA championships chooses the winners, based on the sportsmanship and behavior of athletes, coaches, administrators and spectators.

"We are very pleased and honored to announce these sportsmanship winners," said NCHSAA executive director Charlie Adams. "These schools demonstrated exemplary conduct. The schools, athletes, administrations and coaching staffs should be congratulated because it is obvious that the winners of these awards understand the kind of wholesome athletic environment we want to create, not just at our championships but at all our events."

The Association will honor approximately 30 schools annually participating in one of the NCHSAA's 21 championship events that are held either in a tournament format or with championships at a central site.

Listed below are the winners of NCHSAA Championship Student Services Sportsmanship Awards for the winter sports season, along with the head coach of the team. The program is

administered by the Student Services division of the NCHSAA. Each school will receive a special certificate commemorating its outstanding achievement.

### 2001-2002 NCHSAA SPORTSMANSHIP WINNERS WINTER SPORTS SEASON

WINTER SPORT	SCHOOL (HEAD COACH)
Indoor Track:	
(men)	Mount Tabor (Mike Esposito)
(women)	Hendersonville (Pam Bolton)
Swimming:	
(men) 1A/2A:	Reidsville (Gail Ferguson)
3-A:	South Point (June DeCann)
4-A:	Athens Drive (Jennifer Vaughn)
(women) 1A/2A:	East Surry (Leah Tunstall)
3-A:	Asheville (Nancy Oliver)
4-A:	Athens Drive (Jennifer Vaughn)
Wrestling (Ind.):	
1-A/2-A:	Alleghany (Paul Crouse)
3-A:	Manteo (Jason Breiholz)
4-A:	Davie County (Buddy Lowery)
Basketball:	
(men)	Mount Airy (Kemp Phillips)
(women)	Rockingham County (Woody Wall)

## New Schools Slated To Join NCHSAA Membership For 2002-2003 Academic Year

CHAPEL HILL—A number of new members will enjoy their first year in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association in the academic year 2002-2003.

In fact, it is the most new member schools the NCHSAA has had to join in the last several years.

Here is a quick rundown on some of the new member schools that will be in the Association:

Heide Trask High School will open in Pender County and has been accepted for membership in the Coastal Plains 1-A Conference.

Cedar Ridge High School, whose teams will be known as the Red Wolves, is slated for the Mid-State 2-A Conference.

Nash Central High School will be known as the Bulldogs with colors of maroon and silver.

South Central High School is located in Pitt County near Winterville. Its teams will be known as the Falcons and will wear black and silver.

West Johnston High School teams will wear teal and white.

Middle Creek High School in Wake County will also be an NCHSAA member school.

Lake Norman High School, located near Mooresville, will field teams known as the Wildcats and will wear royal blue, black and white as the school colors. The Wildcats have been accepted to play in the North Piedmont 3-A Conference.

Phillip O. Berry Academy of Technology in Charlotte is projected to open August 2002.

Rocky Mount Charter and Raleigh Charter High Schools will play as 1-A independents for the 2002-2003 academic year.

### 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.

#### Rev. Mitch Tyler

RAEFORD—Mitch Tyler, the superintendent of the Hoke County schools, died suddenly from a heart attack in early March at the age of 46.

Tyler was also an assistant pastor at the Shannon Assembly of God. He was a recipient of the Order of the Long Leaf Pine and the U.S. Department of Education Indian Fellowship. He had formerly served as an assistant superintendent in the Cumberland County school system before moving to Hoke County.

#### Charlie Harville

HIGH POINT—Long-time radio and television sportscaster Charlie Harville died in early March at the age of 83.

His career, which actually touched eight different decades, included stints at both WFMY-TV in Greensboro and WGHP-TV in High Point. He began his career as a student at High Point College in 1938 and was still involved in baseball and stock car productions in 2001.

Charlie is believed to be the first sports voice ever heard on live TV from a North Carolina station. He also did football radio play-by-play for a number of universities.

He was inducted into the North Carolina Sports Hall of Fame in 1997. His work also included excellent support of and involvement with the North Carolina High School Athletic Association.



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## Coach-Captain Retreat Draws Students From Across State

RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK—The North Carolina High School Athletic Association recently held its Spring 2002 Coach-Captain Retreat, the 15th in a series of successful events.

The event, part of the Association's Student Services program, was held at the Radisson Governors Inn over the weekend of April 13-14 and attracted students from all over North Carolina.

Retreat teams include student-athletes who will be captains or leaders of their athletic squads in the coming academic year, a coach from the school and a parent representative. They are designed to promote the concept of "teamwork." Issues such as leadership development, alcohol, tobacco and other drugs, violence prevention strategies and academic success are addressed at these retreats, the first of which was held in the spring of '95.

The retreats are designed to help student-athletes define leadership qualities, identify key

issues which affect them, learn to communicate effectively with other students and adults about these issues, and then to understand what captains can do to use their influence to prevent problems and promote healthy lifestyles.

Coach-Captain retreats are organized and administered by NCHSAA associate executive director Que Tucker and student services assistant Amy Peacock.

Facilitators included the following NCHSAA Student Services Trainers: Mike Brown, retired athletic director from the New Hanover County schools and president of B&M Associates; P.J. Taylor, coach at Williamston High and safe and drug free schools coordinator for the Martin County Schools; Beth Jaharias, early childhood specialist and former teacher from Raleigh; and Joey Womble, director of the alternative school for the Washington County schools and former teacher and NCHSAA coach. Several of the facilitators have also worked with the Student Athlete Summer Institutes as well.

A total of 56 student-athletes and 27 adults attended, including 16 coaches and athletic directors, representing a total of 16 different schools.

The following schools had teams at the retreat:

Bunn, Enka, Wilson Fike, Gates County, Durham Hillside, Hiwassee Dam, Fayetteville Jack Britt, Jamesville, Jones Senior, Northampton-West, Northwest Halifax, Hope Mills South View, Southern Durham, Topsail, West Bladen and West Brunswick.

## NCHSAA Hall of Fame Ceremonies



*The North Carolina High School Athletic Association celebrated another class of inductees officially joining its Hall of Fame during ceremonies at the Friday Center in Chapel Hill. Pictured from left are the members of this year's class, including Jack Groce, Herb Young, Walter Rogers, Mrs. Wally Shelton representing the late Wally Shelton, Tom Northington, Morris Walker and John Swofford. (NCHSAA photo by John Bell)*



## Mr., Miss Basketball Named In North Carolina By Ihigh.com

North Carolina's best basketball players for the 2001-2002 season have been announced by northcarolina.ihigh.com as the winners of the Mr. and Miss NCHSAA Basketball Awards.

Ihigh.com is the NCHSAA's official Internet partner. Members of the media nominated players for consideration and then voted on the finalists' ballot.

"We are certainly pleased to partner with ihigh to recognize outstanding performances on the basketball court among our NCHSAA member schools," said Rick Strunk, NCHSAA associate executive director. "We are also really pleased with the response to these awards in their initial year and look forward to a long relationship with ihigh as we both continue to draw attention to the great athletic programs offered at the high school level."

Here are the winners:

### MEN

#### Mr. 1A NCHSAA Basketball: Chad Casstevens, Surry Central

The senior guard garnered 9 of the 23 first place votes. He averaged 29 points a game and is Surry Central's all-time leading scorer. He also snagged 4.9 rebounds a game and shot 89 percent from the free throw line to go along with his 54 percent field goal shooting and 37 percent three-point shooting. Conference player of the year.

The 1A runners-up included Kelvin Nixon from Plymouth, Ryan Denney from Mount Airy and Kentwan Balmer from Weldon

#### Mr. 2A NCHSAA Basketball: Jameson Curry, Eastern Alamance

Curry, a 6-2 sophomore guard, edged Drew Williamson of Cummings. Curry averaged an eye-popping 33.1 points a game. The prolific scorer already holds the records for most points by a freshman and sophomore. He is receiving recruiting attention from many top schools.

The 2A runners-up included Williams, Aking Elting from East Bladen and a three-way tie for the last spot among Matt Anderson, West Caldwell, Kendrick Harris, North Pitt and Kelly McClure, South Columbus.

#### Mr. 3A NCHSAA Basketball: Eric Hicks, Greensboro Dudley

Hicks, a 6-6 senior forward, was selected first on 12 of 23 ballots and just held off Donte Minter of West Rowan. He averaged a whopping 30.7 points per game this season (953 points) and 12.3 rebounds (381) and 6.7 blocks a game. Shattered Brendan Haywood's state season block record of 187 with 210 blocks, also broke Chris King's career record of 395, finishing with 453. Made 62.7% FG (338 of 539). His total field goals broke state record of 334. He made 71% of 2-point attempts, 35% 3-point attempts. Had 6 triple-doubles, 28 20-plus scoring games (tying state record), 14 30-plus games, 6 40-plus games. Piedmont Triad 3-A player of the year and University of Cincinnati signee.

The 3A runners-up included Minter, Brandon Streeter from White Oak and Corey Rouse from Kinston.

#### Mr. 4A NCHSAA Basketball: Shavlik Randolph, Broughton

In another extremely close race, Randolph was named top player on 9 of 24 first place ballots, just edging Eric Williams from Wake Forest-Rolesville. The 6-10 senior center averaged

28.4 points, 12.8 rebounds and four blocks per game; finishing his career as Broughton's all-time leading scorer. He was selected for McDonald's All-American Team and named Cap 6 Conference Co-Player of the Year. Led Broughton to 4-A Eastern Regional Tournament the past three seasons. He has signed with Duke University.

The 4A runners-up included Williams, followed by Curtis Withers from West Charlotte and Chris Paul from West Forsyth.

### WOMEN

#### Miss 1A NCHSAA Basketball: Deborah Cherry, Roanoke

The 5-7 senior guard garnered 14 of the 24 first place votes. She averaged 22.9 points, 10.9 steals, 8.7 assists and 5.9 rebounds for the Redskins, who advanced to the Eastern Regionals. This season alone, Cherry broke five state and national records. She broke previous state marks held by former Terry Sanford and University of Connecticut star Shea Ralph for steals in a career (883) and steals in a season (293), and also broke national records for steals in a season and in a career. Cherry also set a state record with 21 assists in a game.. She finished the season with 11 triple-doubles. Cherry will attend Charleston Southern University on an athletic scholarship.

Runners-up in the 1A class included Shameka Smith from Bessemer City, Ashton Barton from Rosman and Stephanie Player from James Kenan.

#### Miss 2A NCHSAA Basketball: Leslie Hinkle, Ledford

The 5-8 senior guard was named on 10 of 22 first place votes. She led her team in scoring at 18.4 ppg and grabbed 3.8 rpg, earning Western Regional MVP honors. She was also the MVP of 2-A title game with 40 points. Led Panthers to a perfect 32-0 title and the top spot in the 2-A poll all season.

The 2A runners-up were Marquetta Dickens from Tarboro, Nakisha Stewart from Bunn and Hanna Linquist from Charles D. Owen.

#### Miss 3A NCHSAA Basketball: Leslie Cook, High Point Central

In a very tight race, Cook, a 5-10 senior garnered nine of the 21 first place votes. She averaged 18 points per game and 5.9 assists per game. She was the 2002 3-A title game MVP. Set NCHSAA career three-pointers mark (294) with five treys in the state championship game. The 2002 and 2001 Central Carolina Conference Player of the Year. Played on team that went to regionals all four years. Committed to Charlotte.

The 3A runners-ups were Camille Little from Winston-Salem Carver, Stefanie Warner from Charles B. Aycock and a tie between Tiffany Brown from Parkwood and Porsche Jones from Carver.

#### Miss 4A Basketball: Kerri Gardin, Morganton Freedom

The 6-0 senior received 21 of 24 first-place votes. The Virginia Tech bound Gardin was 4-A title game MVP with 25 points and 19 rebounds. She was selected MVP of Western Regional with 26 points and 15 boards in final. Her senior season, she averaged 19 points, 13 rebounds, and 5 assists during the regular season and was awarded conference player of the year.

The 4A runners-up were Billie McDowell from Lumberton, Yolanda Jones from Lumberton and Keauna Vinson from East Wake.

## Interns Continue To Be Asset To Association

CHAPEL HILL—Another excellent group of students has wrapped up a semester in the intern program sponsored by the North Carolina High School Athletic Association.

Interns customarily work six to eight hours a week as volunteers in the NCHSAA offices in addition to their regular academic load. They assist in everything from clerical duties to research on records to helping with Association publications and working at selected state championships.

Those University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill students who worked during the spring semester include:

- Garrett Ball, a senior majoring in journalism and mass communications who played basketball and baseball at Hibriten High School in Lenoir;
- Brian Norris, a graduate of Mount Pleasant High School in Cabarrus County, a senior majoring in communications who played tennis in high school
- Kate Barnhill, a sophomore majoring in exercise and sports science; she was a three-sport athlete, playing basketball, soccer and tennis at Glenn High School in Kernersville
- Jeff Blythe is working with the Wachovia Conference Cup program and is a graduate of East Henderson High School, where he played tennis; he is a senior majoring in exercise and sport science

In addition to students from UNC, Meredith College senior Emily Burt has been working with the Association. She is a graduate of Raleigh's Broughton High, where she was on the swimming and softball teams.

The NCHSAA began its intern program back in 1988 and since then over 140 students, both undergraduate and graduate, from several different colleges and universities have partic-

ipated. About two-thirds have come from Association member schools.

NCHSAA interns have gone on to a variety of graduate schools or occupations, including coaching and teaching, sports information, collegiate athletic administration, professional baseball umpiring and business, to name a few. Rick Strunk coordinates the intern program.

## Elton Hawley First Inductee To NCATA Hall Of Fame

The North Carolina Athletic Trainers Association has announced that Elton Hawley is the first inductee into the North Carolina Athletic Trainers Association Hall of Fame.

The Hall of Fame is a new program of the NCATA. Nominees for the Hall must be current or retired NATA certified or North Carolina licensed members of the NCATA, must have been a practicing athletic trainer for a minimum of 220 years and a member of the NCATA for a minimum of 15.

Inductees are recognized at the NCATA Annual meeting and honored in the permanent Hall of Fame display located in the George M. Holmes Convocation Center at Appalachian State University in Boone.

Hawley, a native of Dunn, is a graduate of Midway High School and received his BS degree at Appalachian State. He was the first athletic trainer employed in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg school system, in 1972, and has been an athletic trainer at Olympic and West Mecklenburg in addition to serving as the athletic training coordinator for the school system.

Hawley is currently employed with the Carolinas Healthcare System in Charlotte developing and implementing sports medicine programs in the Charlotte area. One of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association awards presented annually bears his name.

## North Carolina Teams Sweep South Carolinians In Carolinas Basketball Classic

ROCK HILL—North Carolina's high school all-star basketball teams swept their counterparts from South Carolina in the fifth annual Carolinas All-Star Basketball Classic at the Winthrop Coliseum.

The games are co-sponsored by the North Carolina Coaches Association and the South Carolina Coaches Association.

In the women's game, Lumberton's Billie McDowell scored 22 points and Leslie Cook of High Point Central tallied 13, including four three-pointers, as North Carolina took a 92-74 victory.

Krystian Obie, also from NCHSAA 3-A champion High Point Central, scored 13 points. Cook, who was the MVP of the 3-A women's championship, also captured MVP honors for the Classic. The North Carolina women led by as many as 25 points in the second half.

North Carolina put together a balanced attack with seven players in double figures to win the men's game, 116-91.

Leesville's Shawan Robinson scored 15 points for the winners. Billy Houston of Fayetteville Seventy-First, Whit Holcombe-Faye of Winston-Salem R.J. Reynolds and Donte Miller of West Rowan added 14 points apiece. Miller earlier earned MVP honors in the NCHSAA state 3-A men's championship game.

Houston, who will play for Winthrop next year, was named the Classic MVP.

North Carolina leads the all-time series between the state 3-2 in both women's and men's play.

## Swansboro Coach Bob Vroom Receives National Coach Honor

Swansboro High School men's soccer coach Bob Vroom recently received a big national honor.

He was chosen the National Soccer Coaches Association of America/adidas National Division II High School Coach of the Year. He was presented the award at the NSCAA's convention in Philadelphia earlier this year.

Vroom, the only men's soccer coach in Swansboro school history, has consistently had his Pirates in playoff competition. His teams have 18 of the last 19 conference championships and has won 416 matches in his 22 years at the Swansboro helm.

Swansboro has captured six NCHSAA state championships under his tutelage.

Vroom, who said he was totally surprised by the award, was quoted in the Jacksonville Daily News as saying, "I think it was a pinnacle of my coaching...It's an honor, and it's been an honor being with everyone that's been in the program. I enjoy being a high school coach and helping kids through high school, and I love the kids and it's done for the kids."

We add our congratulations for a most deserved honor to Bob Vroom.



# CHAMPIONSHIP REVIEW

## INDOOR TRACK



## DUAL TEAM WRESTLING



### Riverside, Morehead, Southern Vance, Alleghany Win State Championships On Mats

Four state championships were decided in the 13th annual finals of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state dual team wrestling championships.

The 2001-2002 season represents the first year that four championships have been held, as the 1-A classification had enough schools competing to hold its own championship.

Here is a summary of the championship action:

4-A: Durham Riverside's Pirates pleased the home crowd with a 40-26 victory over previously unbeaten Cary, winning their first NCHSAA dual-team crown since 1995. Riverside's Terrell Williams, who was named Most Valuable Performer of the championship, won at 119 pounds to give the Pirates a lead they would not relinquish. The victory by Daniel Llamas of Riverside at 171 pounds clinched the state title for the Pirates.

Cary finished 26-1 and wound up the state runner-up for the second consecutive year.

3-A: Eden Morehead took a commanding lead and held on to down host St. Stephens in Hickory by a 34-27 count. Morehead sported a 28-11 lead when Carson Ellis won by a pin in the heavyweight division to give the state champions an insurmountable lead.

It was Morehead's third NCHSAA dual team wrestling title in the last five years, with the Panthers earning back-to-back crowns in 1998 and '99. St. Stephens finished as the state 3-A runner-up for the second year in a row.

2-A: It went down to the last match and Southern Vance rallied to nip host Canton Pisgah 36-34 to earn the 2002 North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 2-A dual team wrestling championship.

It was Southern Vance's third consecutive trip to the finals, but the Raiders' first dual-team title. The Southern victory avenged a tough 31-30 loss the Raiders suffered to Pisgah in the 2001 championship.

Pisgah held a 34-31 lead entering the final match, at 135 pounds, but the Raiders' Andrae Lewis won by technical fall over Jeff West of Pisgah to capture the championship.

1-A: Alleghany captured the inaugural championship in this classification with a convincing 48-18 victory over visiting South Davidson. With the match starting at the 112-pound class, Alleghany fell behind 9-0 but then roared back to take command with 25 unanswered points. Junior Jake Byers, Alleghany's 215-pounder, was named the Most Valuable Performer for the championship.

### Mount Tabor Sweeps Indoor Track Championships

CHAPEL HILL—Premeet favorite Winston-Salem Mount Tabor made it two championships in a row as Mount Tabor won both the women's and men's titles in the 16th annual North Carolina High School Athletic Association state indoor track and field championships at the Eddie Smith Field House at the University of North Carolina.

Mount Tabor's women scored 51 points to 40.5 for runner-up Southwest Guilford, paced by women's meet Most Valuable Performer Carly Matthews. Matthews won the 3200 and was second in the 1600 and also ran a leg on the victories 3200 relay team. Hendersonville was third with 36 points, followed by High Point Andrews with 29 and Burlington Cummings with 26.

Mount Tabor tallied 94 points to overwhelm the men's field. Northern Durham was second with 46 points, with North Forsyth third at 34. Apex was back in fourth place with 22 points and North Rowan and North Mecklenburg were knotted at fifth with 21 points.

Northern Durham's A.J. Davis was the men's MVP as he won both the triple jump and long jump and was third in the high jump.

## SWIMMING AND DIVING



### Shelby Men, Charlotte Catholic Women Take Team Swim Titles

RALEIGH—It went down to the last event, but Shelby held on to take top honors in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 1-A/2-A men's swimming and diving championships at Pullen Aquatic Center.

Shelby nipped Durham School of the Arts 217-215 to win the men's team title. The Golden Lions finished second to DSA in the final event, the 400 freestyle relay, but it was just enough to hold off the Durham team for the crown. Charlotte Catholic was third in the men's field with 207 points, followed by West Henderson at 154 and Western Alamance at 148.

In women's competition, Charlotte Catholic dominated en route to the state title. Catholic rolled up a whopping 408 points to 173 for second-place East Surry. Salisbury placed third at 169, with Western Guilford at 143 for fourth place and Lenoir Hibernian in fifth with 131 points.

This was the first year for a separate NCHSAA 1-A/2-A swimming and diving championship.



## East Chapel Hill Teams Continue Dominance In State 3-A Swimming

RALEIGH—East Chapel Hill continued its dominance at the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 3-A swimming and diving championships at the Carmichael Aquatic Center at North Carolina State University.

Both East Chapel Hill teams swept to victory in the first-ever meet held separately for the 3-A classification. For the past 10 years, the 1-A, 2-A and 3-A schools have all competed together.

The East Chapel Hill men won their fifth consecutive state crown, outscoring Jamestown Ragsdale by a whopping 332-220 for the championship. Asheville was a distant third at 154, followed by West Carteret (147) and Concord (146).

Junior Robbie Bittner of West Carteret, who won both the 100 backstroke and the 200 individual medley, was named the Most Valuable Performer in the men's meet.

East Chapel Hill's women also made it four state crowns in a row, as the Wildcats scored 264 points with Hickory in second at 202. Statesville wound up third with 164, while Burlington Williams was fourth with 161 and Hickory St. Stephens fifth with 156.

Hickory sophomore Carly Hensel was the women's MVP, winning the 200 individual medley and blowing the field away by almost three seconds in the 100 breaststroke.

## Providence, Enloe Keep Streaks Alive In 4-A Swimming

RALEIGH—Charlotte Providence among the women's teams and Raleigh Enloe in men's competition took team titles and kept impressive strings alive at the 53rd annual North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 4-A swimming and diving championships at the Pullen Aquatic Center.

Providence scored a convincing triumph, capturing its fifth consecutive NCHSAA women's 4-A title and sixth in the last eight years for a Charlotte school. Providence tallied 263.5 points to 174 for runner-up South Mecklenburg. Durham Jordan placed third with 166 points, followed by Charlotte Myers Park with 158 and Raleigh Leesville Road with 150.

Sophomore Stephanie Glover of Raleigh Athens Drive was named the Most Valuable Performer in the women's field as she earned titles in both the 100 backstroke and the 100 butterfly.

Enloe's Eagles earned their fourth consecutive NCHSAA men's swimming title, outdistancing Jordan 258-217 to take the crown. Myers Park was in third with 187 points, with South Mecklenburg fourth at 163 and Providence fifth with 150.

Providence senior Doug Van Wie earned MVP honors in the men's championship, winning both the 100 backstroke and 200 freestyle and setting new state 4-A records in the process, breaking marks he had established himself in the 2001 championship meet.

## TOURNAMENT WRESTLING



## Riverside Impressive In State Wrestling Tournament

CHARLOTTE—Durham Riverside put together an impressive performance to take the team 4-A title in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association's state wrestling championships at Cricket Arena.

Riverside, with seven of its nine wrestlers who qualified for the state tournament reaching the finals, took the 4-A championship with 162 points.

Senior Brandon Palmer of Riverside captured the 125-pound title in 4-A and completed a perfect 72-0 season. He was one of four Pirates to win state individual crowns.

Watauga's Garrett Atkinson at 145 pounds was voted the 4-A classification's Most Outstanding Wrestler.

East Gaston captured the 3-A team title, led by that classification's Most Outstanding Wrestler, Dusty McKinney, who won the state title at 112 pounds.

Junior Drew Forshey of St. Stephens, wrestling at 119 pounds, earned the 3-A state title in his weight class to become the 24th person to capture three individual state wrestling championships. He has suffered only one loss during his three-year career thus far, and only two wrestlers (Mike Kendell of Albemarle and JohnMark Bentley of Avery) have ever won four NCHSAA state crowns.

Southern Vance, which won the NCHSAA 2-A dual team title earlier this month and had five wrestlers in the championship round, was the team champion in the 1-A/2-A class with 135.5 points.

Austin Mikael of Ashe County, the 160-pound champ, was that division's Most Outstanding Wrestler.

### NCHSAA STATE WRESTLING TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONSHIPS Cricket Arena, Charlotte

#### CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS 4A

- 103 Vincent Ramirez (Durham Riverside) def. Anh Tuan (Mt. Tabor) 8-3
- 112 George Hickman (Laney) def. Willie Annas (East Burke) 7-4
- 119 Sheldon Coffey (Watauga) def. Gordon Scott (Athens Drive) pin 4:30
- 125 Brandon Palmer (Durham Riverside) def. Jon Dramis (Cary) 12-4 MD
- 130 Philip Ramirez (Durham Riverside) def. Todd Bigelow (Havelock) 4-3
- 135 Jacob Paul (Terry Sanford) def. Travis Finchum (Pinecrest) 5-2

- 140 Abel Trujillo (Durham Riverside) def. Jeff Tharington (Mt. Tabor) 11-9 OT  
 145 Garrett Atkinson (Watauga) def. Marcus Boyd (Durham Riverside) 8-4  
 152 Raymond Jordan (New Bern) def. Drew Llamas (Durham Riverside) 3-2  
 160 Justin Gulliver (Fuquay-Varina) def. Bobby Hartman (Fayetteville Pine Forest) 6-3  
 171 John Whitehead (Wilmington Hoggard) def. Gary Sevits (Fayetteville Terry Sanford) 4-2  
 189 Corey Winston (Durham Riverside) def. Corey Pendergrass (Mt. Tabor) 4-2  
 215 Patrick Lowery (Davie County) def. Mario Paylor (N. Durham) pin 1:27  
 275 Leroy Harris (SE Raleigh) def. Brant Daye (Durham Jordan) 9-3

### 3A

- 103 Freddy Soria (Asheville Erwin) def. Andy Holton (Manteo) pin 1:24  
 112 Dusty McKinney (East Gaston) def. Kane Long (Eastern Randolph) 7-1  
 119 Drew Forshey (Hickory St. Stephens) def. Elijah King (Tuscola) 18-8  
 125 Derek Mull (Tuscola) def. Tripp Rogers (East Gaston) 5-3 OT  
 130 Rob McCollum (W-Salem Parkland) def. Arik Lemmon (Crest) 10-5  
 135 Parris Dottery (Jacksonville White Oak) def. Ryan Batts (CB Aycock) pin 3:40  
 140 Jonathan Cobb (North Gaston) def. Ken Kepley (NW Cabarrus) 5-0  
 145 Bryant Reams (Durham Hillside) def. Isidro Rodriguez (Oxford Webb) 10-7  
 152 Jared Hogan (East Gaston) def. Jacob Allman (NW Cabarrus) 5-2  
 160 Phillip Bohanon (Enka) def. Seth Dufault (North Iredell) pin 1:30  
 171 Hunter Land (East Rowan) def. Jonathan Geisler (Statesville) 13-3  
 189 Joe Pacheco (E. Gaston) def. Steven McClamrock (Concord) pin 4:21  
 215 Stephen Meulbach (Southwestern Randolph) def. Jesse Hughes (Trinity) pin 5:59  
 275 Gianni Niglio (Hickory) def. Jesse Stewart (SE Guilford) pin 5:05

### 1A/2A

- 103 Bryan Lashomb (Currituck) def. Brian Sharp (Wilkes Central) 16-7  
 112 Josh Fleshman (Forbush) def. Jimmy Helms (Currituck) 4-1  
 119 Robert Watson (Southern Vance) def. Elliot Darden (High Point Andrews) 9-4  
 125 Mark Maya (Avery) def. Wayne Norton (Pasquotank) 12-3  
 130 Antwon Floyd (Southern Vance) def. Morgan Meyers (Currituck) 10-9  
 135 Andrae Lewis (Southern Vance) def. Dustin Prescott (Pamlico) 19-11

- 140 Kehly Roberts (N. Wilkes) def. Tanner Orr (Avery) 6-5  
 145 Brandon Moxley (Alleghany) def. Josh Snow (Surry Central) 5-0  
 152 Craig McIntosh (Bandys) def. Adam Keath (Mitchell) 5-4  
 160 Austin Mikael (Ashe Co.) def. Trinton Love (E. Surry) pin 1:27  
 171 Terrance Williams (Southern Vance) def. John Clay (Bunn) 5-4  
 189 Daren Burns (Catawba Bandys) def. Devin Lynch (E. Surry) 2-1 2OT  
 215 Quincey Talley (Southern Vance) def. J.T. Holleman (E. Wilkes) 4-3  
 275 Brandon Schweitzer (W. Henderson) def. Pierre Deshauteurs (Brevard) pin 3:25

## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL



### Thomasville Rolls Past Midway For 1-A Crown

CHAPEL HILL— Relentless Thomasville speed and pressure forced 36 Midway turnovers as the Lady Bulldogs rolled to a 69-44 victory in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 1-A women's basketball championship at the Smith Center.

Soph Erin Crowder scored 19 points to earn MVP honors for the winners, while Brittany Marsh tossed in 16. Sheena Harriott and Maya Ray each had 10 for the Lady Bulldogs. Thomasville picked off an amazing 27 steals en route to the victory.

Midway (23-4) shot just 27.6 percent from the floor for the game and was led by Brittany Carroll's 19 points. Jennifer Honeycutt added 15 points and 10 rebounds.

Thomasville raced to 11-3 advantage in the first four and half minutes and never looked back.

### Ledford Defeats Tarboro Behind Hinkle's 40 Points

CHAPEL HILL—Leslie Hinkle ripped the nets for 40 points, including hitting 12 of 16 at the foul line, as Ledford defeated Tarboro 73-51 in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association's state 2-A women's basketball championship at the Smith Center.

Hinkle was a unanimous choice for Most Valuable Player, hitting 13 of 23 shots from the field and scoring 21 points in the first half.

Ledford led 48-39 late in the third quarter and then went on a 9-1 run to break the game open in the Lady Panthers' fifth trip to the championship in the last eight years. Katie Ralls was the only other Panther in double figures with 14 points as Ledford completed a perfect 32-0 season.

Marquetta Dickens scored 23 points for Tarboro (24-5) while Lawanda Scott added 12.

## High Point Central Holds Off Rockingham County

CHAPEL HILL—Leslie Cook tossed in 22 points, including five three-pointers, to lead High Point Central to a hard-earned 56-53 triumph over Rockingham County in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association's state 3-A women's basketball championship at the Smith Center.

Central led by as many as 16 in the first half and by 12 entering the fourth quarter, but the Lady Cougars (29-3) mounted a courageous comeback and cut it to one with a minute left. Cook hit a pair of key free throws at the 0:44 mark to push the margin to three.

Freshman Kalen Kropa scored 16 and Carol Lowe had 15 for Rockingham, while Krystion Obie added 15 points and eight rebounds for Central, which won its fifth NCHSAA women's crown.

Coach Kenny Carter's state champs finished with a 31-1 slate.

## Gardin, Freedom Defeat Lumberton In 4-A Title Game

CHAPEL HILL—Kerri Gardin had a monster game for Morganton Freedom, with 25 points, 19 rebounds and six assists to lead the Lady Patriots over Lumberton by a 68-52 count in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association's state 4-A women's basketball championship at the Smith Center.

Gardin was a unanimous choice for Most Valuable Player as Freedom won its fourth NCHSAA women's hoop crown. Tara Tate added 18 points for the Lady Patriots.

Freedom outscored the defending state champions, who had beaten Freedom in the regional finals in 2001, 13-5 early in the fourth quarter to take command and snap a 17-game Lady Pirate winning streak. Freedom finished at 27-2 overall.

Billie McDowell had 17 points and Yolanda Jones added 16 for Lumberton (28-2).

## MEN'S BASKETBALL



## Mount Airy Overcomes Plymouth For 1-A Title

CHAPEL HILL—Justin Brim poured in 24 points, including four beyond the arc, to lead Mount Airy to a 63-58 victory over Plymouth for the North Carolina High School Athletic Association's state 1-A men's basketball title at the Smith Center.

Mount Airy rolled to its 20th straight win and finished 31-1 overall, winning its first NCHSAA men's title since 1963.

The Bears went on a 9-0 run in the fourth quarter, holding

Plymouth scoreless for almost six minutes, to rally for the victory.

Brim was named the Most Valuable Player in the championship. Ryan Denney chipped in with 15 for the Bears while Kelvin Nixon scored 22 points for the Vikings (25-3).

## Burlington Cummings Edges North Pitt In 2-A

CHAPEL HILL—Burlington Cummings won its third NCHSAA men's basketball title in four years, as the defending 1-A champs moved up a classification and nipped North Pitt 80-78 for the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 2-A men's basketball title at the Smith Center.

Freshman T.J. Gwynn scored 22 points and grabbed 12 rebounds for the Cavaliers (24-4) to earn MVP honors. Drew Williamson added 21 points, including three three-pointers, while Bryan Manning contribute 15 points. The Cavaliers finished with a 24-4 record.

Quinton Person tallied 24 points for North Pitt (24-3) while Kendric Harris had 22 and hauled down a whopping 18 rebounds.

## West Rowan Completes Perfect Season, Downs Parkland 80-68

CHAPEL HILL—Donte Minter poured in 29 points and earned Most Valuable Players honors as West Rowan downed Winston-Parkland 80-68 in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 3-A men's basketball championship at the Smith Center.

The game was a rematch of the 1999 3-A final, which Parkland won. This time West Rowan won to complete a perfect 30-0 season, while Parkland won up 21-10.

Phillip Williams added 22 points for the victorious Falcons. Guard Ray Bristow tossed in 26 points and handed out five assists for the Mustangs while Mark Mason added 16 points.

West led by as many as 18 in the second half before holding off a Mustang rally that cut it to six with 1:08 to play. A 51-38 Falcon rebounding edge was a key factor in the game.

## R.J. Reynolds Wins Third Straight State Crown, Beats Seventy-First

CHAPEL HILL—Reyshawn Terry scored 21 points and Whit Holcomb-Faye added 15 as Winston-Salem R.J. Reynolds defeated Fayetteville Seventy-First 63-58 for the North Carolina High School Athletic Association 4-A men's basketball championship at the Smith Center.

The Demons (26-6) won their third straight NCHSAA 4-A men's hoop crown, a feat not duplicated since South Mecklenburg captured three in a row from 1970-72.

Casey Long led Seventy-First (28-3) with 21 points, including nine of 12 at the foul line.

The game was tied at 47-all with 5:55 to play, but the Falcons could never quite get over the hump. No more than eight points ever separated the two teams. Both teams shot under 38 percent from the field for the game.

Seventy-First, which had lost to R.J. Reynolds in the 2000 4-A final, finished 28-3 overall.



## NCHSAA State Clinic Schedule 2002-2003

**Football State Clinics (2002)**

Sun., July 28	Vance HS, Charlotte	2:00 PM
Sun., July 28	West Forsyth HS, Winston-Salem	7:00 PM
Mon., July 29	Smoky Mountain HS, Sylva	7:00 PM
Tues., July 30	AB Tech, Asheville	7:00 PM
Wed., July 31	Freedom HS, Morganton	7:00 PM
Thurs., Aug. 1	Garner HS, Garner	7:00 PM
Sun., Aug. 4	Douglas Byrd HS, Fayetteville	2:00 PM
Sun., Aug. 4	East Duplin HS, Beulaville	7:00 PM
Mon., Aug. 5	Rose HS, Greenville	7:00 PM

**Soccer State Clinics (2002)**

Mon., July 22	Jacksonville HS, Jacksonville	6:30 PM
Sun., July 28	Douglas Byrd HS, Fayetteville	2:00 PM
Sat., Aug. 3	Currituck HS (Gym), Barco	2:00 PM
Sun., Aug. 4	Vance HS, Charlotte	2:00 PM
Sun., Aug. 4	Rose HS, Greenville	4:00 PM
Sun., Aug. 4	Wilkes Central HS, Wilkesboro	5:00 PM
Tues., Aug. 6	Hillyer Memorial Christian Church, Raleigh	7:00 PM
Sun., Aug. 11	Radison Hotel, Greensboro (Guilford College Rd)	4:00 PM
Sun., Aug. 11	Murray Elementary School, Hickory	5:00 PM
Tues., Aug. 13	AB Tech (Laurel Auditorium), Asheville	7:00 PM

**Volleyball State Clinics (2002)**

Mon., July 8	Laney HS, Wilmington	4:00 PM
Sat., July 13	Hunt HS, Wilson	9:00 AM
Mon., July 15	Ayden-Grifton HS, Ayden	7:00 PM
Sun., July 21	AB Tech (Laurel Auditorium), Asheville	3:00 PM
Sun., July 21	Mason Co. Public Library, Franklin	3:00 PM
Thurs., July 25	Peace College (Flow Building, Rm 110), Raleigh	7:00 PM
Thurs., July 25	Elizabeth City Park & Rec., Elizabeth City	7:00 PM
Fri., July 26	White Oak HS, Jacksonville	6:00 PM
Sat., July 27	Columbia HS (Cafeteria), Columbia	2:00 PM
Mon., July 29	Douglas Byrd HS, Fayetteville	6:00 PM
Sun., Aug. 4	Vance HS, Charlotte	3:30 PM
Mon., Aug. 5	South Granville HS, Creedmoor	6:00 PM
Mon., Aug. 5	Alamance Co. Rec. Department	7:00 PM
Tues., Aug. 6	Newton-Conover HS, Newton	6:00 PM
Tues., Aug. 6	Rockingham Co. Middle School, Wentworth	6:30 PM
Wed., Aug. 7	UNC-CH (Woolen Gym Rm 302), Chapel Hill	7:00 PM
Sun., Aug. 18	Mocksville Rec. Dept., Mocksville	2:00 PM

**Basketball State Clinics (2002)**

Sun., Oct 27	Vance HS, Charlotte	2:00 PM
Sun., Oct. 27	West Forsyth HS, Winston-Salem	7:00 PM
Mon., Oct 28	Smoky Mountain HS, Sylva	7:00 PM
Tues., Oct 29	AB Tech (Laurel Auditorium), Asheville	7:00 PM
Wed., Oct 30	Freedom HS, Morganton	7:00 PM
Sun., Nov 3	Douglas Byrd HS, Fayetteville	2:00 PM
Sun., Nov 3	East Duplin HS, Beulaville	7:00 PM
Mon., Nov 4	Garner HS, Garner	7:00 PM
Tues., Nov 5	Rose HS, Greenville	7:00 PM

**Wrestling State Clinics (2003)**

Sun., Oct 13	Ragsdale HS, Jamestown	2:00 PM
Sun., Oct 20	Kannapolis Middle School, Kannapolis	3:00 PM

Wed., Oct 23	South Caldwell HS, Hudson	7:00 PM
Sun., Oct 27	Hillside HS, Durham	2:00 PM
Sun., Oct 27	Washington HS, Washington	3:00 PM
Sun., Oct 27	Douglas Byrd HS, Fayetteville	6:00 PM
Mon., Oct 28	AB Tech, Asheville	7:00 PM

**Baseball State Clinics (2003)**

Sun., Jan 12	White Oak HS, Jacksonville	5:00 PM
Sat., Jan 18	Edenton HS (Gym), Edenton	2:00 PM
Sun., Jan 19	Dillard Middle School (Library), Goldsboro	2:00 PM
Sun., Jan 26	Macon Co. Public Library, Franklin	2:00 PM
Sun., Jan 26	Douglas Byrd HS, Fayetteville	3:30 PM
Sun., Jan 26	Apex Rec. Center, Apex	7:00 PM
Sun., Feb 2	Parkland HS, Winston-Salem	2:00 PM
Sun., Feb 2	Chanloner Middle School, Roanoke Rapids	2:00 PM
Sun., Feb 9	Rose HS, Greenville	2:00 PM
Sun., Feb 9	Vance HS, Charlotte	2:00 PM
Sun., Feb 9	Laney HS, Wilmington	3:00 PM
Sun., Feb 9	American Legion Post 100, Cherryville	3:00 PM
Sun., Feb 9	Southwest Edgecombe HS, Pinetops	4:00 PM
Sun., Feb 10	Alamance Co. Rec. Department	7:00 PM
Mon., Feb 17	Carver HS, Winston-Salem	6:30 PM
Sun., Feb 23	Southwestern Randolph Middle School	3:00 PM
Mon., March 3	AB Tech (Laurel Auditorium), Asheville	6:30 PM

**Softball State Clinics (2003)**

Sat., Jan 18	Edenton HS (Gym), Edenton	4:00 PM
Sun., Jan 26	Northern Durham HS, Durham	2:00 PM
Sun., Jan 26	Macon Co. Public Library, Franklin	3:00 PM
Sun., Jan 26	Douglas Byrd HS, Fayetteville	2:00 PM
Sun., Jan 26	Timber Drive Elementary School, Garner	2:00 PM
Sun., Feb 2	Parkland HS, Winston-Salem	4:00 PM
Sun., Feb 2	White Oak HS, Jacksonville	2:30 PM
Sun., Feb 2	Chanloner Middle School, Roanoke Rapids	2:00 PM
Sun., Feb 9	Rose HS, Greenville	3:00 PM
Sun., Feb 9	Vance HS, Charlotte	3:30 PM
Sun., Feb 9	Laney HS, Wilmington	4:00 PM
Mon., Feb 10	Alamance Co. Rec. Department	8:00 PM
Sun., Feb 16	Southwestern Randolph Middle School	3:00 PM
Mon., Feb 17	Carver HS, Winston-Salem	7:30 PM
Sat., Feb 22	Hunt HS, Wilson	9:00 AM
Mon., March 3	AB Tech (Laurel Auditorium), Asheville	8:00 PM

**Swimming**  
Dates TBA

**NFHS EXAM DATES 2002-2003**

Volleyball	Mon., August 26, 2002
Soccer	Wed., August 28, 2002
Football	Tues., September 3, 2002
Wrestling	Mon., December 9, 2002
Basketball	Mon., December 9, 2002
Baseball	Mon., March 17, 2003
Softball	Wed., March 19, 2003
Swimming	Must be completed and returned by Dec. 2, 2002



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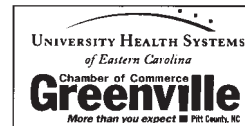


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