Baucom, Ollis Named Athletes of Year at NCHSAA Annual Meeting In Winston-Salem

WINSTON-SALEM—Eva Baucom of Forest Hills High School and Jim Ollis of Polk County High School have been named winners of the 2004 Athlete of the Year awards by the North Carolina High School Athletic Association (NCHSAA).

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 Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum during the NCHSAA’s Annual Meeting.

Both Baucom and Ollis 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 Eva and Jim have tremendously impressive credentials along the lines of the previous outstanding winners of this award and they are also excellent students. We certainly wish them the best in the future.”

Ollis has had a brilliant career in three sports and has received a prestigious appointment to the Air Force Academy, where he will lay quarterback for the Falcons. He was named the Southern Foothills Conference Football Player of the Year for 2003 and was the only player to make the all-conference team at three positions—quarterback, defensive back and punter.

He ran for 1,118 yards and 14 touchdowns and threw 10 TD passes as he led Polk to an 11-win season and earned a berth on the North Carolina Shrine Bowl team. He had 73 tackles on defense and had a whopping 44.0-yard average as a punter.

In wrestling, Ollis won the 1-A/2-A state championship at 189 pounds, his third state consecutive state title in that sport. He was 29-0 this season and had a brilliant 119-3 career mark. Only his freshman year ended without a state championship, when he broke his wrist.

He also is a standout on the Polk baseball team, with a batting average of .438 and a slugging percentage at a whopping .738 when the award was given. He has six doubles, two triples and five home runs to go with 23 runs batted in. An outstanding center fielder, he also has 13 stolen bases in 14 tries.

Baucom has been busy at Forest Hills, where she has excelled in tennis, basketball, soccer and softball. She played number one singles and doubles for her team and qualified for regional competition, earning all-conference honors in that sport. In basketball she was an outstanding point guard, earning all-county honors.

When the presentation was made, she was leading her soccer team in scoring, doing a difficult balancing act between soccer and softball. As the catcher in softball, Baucom has caught over 90 consecutive games and is already a three-time all-conference selection. She was batting better than .500, topping her team in average and runs batted in, was also second in stolen bases on the day of the Annual Meeting.

At one point this season, she raced home from a softball game where she had gone three for four and had the game-winning RBI. She got to the soccer game with seven minutes left to play and then scored the game-winning goal in a 1-0 contest.

This is the 19th year in which awards have been given to the top overall male and female athletes. Over 135,000 athletes compete in the NCHSAA’s 21-sport program.
Que Tucker Named New Deputy Executive Director Of NCHSAA

WINSTON-SALEM—Que Tucker has been named deputy executive director of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association in action taken by the NCHSAA Board of Directors.

Tucker, who joined the NCHSAA staff in 1991, will assume her new duties upon the retirement of current deputy executive director Dick Knox in December of this year. The deputy executive director supervises the 21-sport program for the Association as well as the officiating program.

“I think Que Tucker is an outstanding choice for this important decision,” said Charlie Adams, executive director of the NCHSAA. “She has great credentials for the position and had certainly performed extremely well since she has been on our staff at the Association. I have no doubt that she will do an excellent job for the NCHSAA as deputy executive director.”

A native of Rockingham County, Tucker came to the NCHSAA after a stint as an assistant women’s basketball coach at North Carolina State University. She has been an associate executive director with the NCHSAA, leading the highly successful Student Services Program, as well as working with various sports.

Tucker was an outstanding athlete at Stoneville High School in Rockingham County, which is now part of Dalton McMichael High School, and went from there to Mars Hill College, where she played basketball and graduated in 1974 with a B.S. degree in physical education.

She earned her master’s degree in physical education from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro in 1977, serving as a graduate assistant there in women’s volleyball and basketball. Her first teaching position was in the McDowell County system, where she taught and coached at West McDowell Junior High in Marion.

She is a charter member of the Mars Hill College Athletic Hall of Fame and was an assistant basketball coach in the East-West all-star game conducted by the North Carolina Coaches Association in 1989. She also has an excellent background in officiating, serving as a game official in volleyball, basketball and softball.

Prior to her entering the collegiate ranks, Que was a highly successful high school coach at Reidsville Senior High School. As a head women’s basketball coach at the high school level, she compiled a career won-loss record of 145-104, from 1978 through 1988, and also posted a 58-16 slate as a volleyball head coach.

She was named North Central 4-A Conference Coach of the Year in volleyball in both 1986 and 87 and won the corresponding honor in that league in women’s basketball in 1987. She also was the Triad 3-A Conference Coach of the Year in women’s basketball twice.

“I have really enjoyed my time with the Association working with the student services program, but I am excited about the new opportunity to serve in this capacity and look forward to these challenges,” said Tucker. “I know I have a lot to learn about this position but I am really pleased that I’ll have a chance to work along side Dick Knox and take advantage of his expertise as I begin to understand these new duties.”

New Association Created For Public Address Announcers At Sporting Events

KANSAS CITY—A professional association dedicated to sports public address announcing has just been launched.

The National Association of Sports Public Address Announcers (NASPAA) is a not-for-profit organization headquartered in Kansas City, Missouri.

Membership is open to sports public address announcers and to individuals, such as athletic directors and association administrators, who have responsibility in hiring or assigning announcers. Membership is also open to students.

“NASPAA will focus on providing national leadership and meaningful educational programs and services for high school, college and amateur sports public address announcers, commented Brad Rumble, NASPAA Executive Director. “We will be active in promoting the educational values of sports public address announcing; and working with key associations and organizations, as well as entities in related broadcast fields as part of an ongoing effort to raise the level of professionalism of sports public address announcing in the United States.”

“No one individual receives more attention game-to-game, event-to-event, week-in and week-out, than the sports public address announcer,” remarked Frank Kovaleski, Director of the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association. “Their performance reflects directly on the athletic director, athletic department, school, and in many cases the sponsoring organization or association. Resources offered by NASPAA, such as THE VOICE ABOVE THE CROWD, will be a tremendous benefit to these individuals.”

THE VOICE ABOVE THE CROWD provides national guidelines for announcing, and is endorsed by the NIAA, NJCAA and the NAIA.

The NASPAA is also developing a leadership-training course for the NIAAA that will focus on the role of the athletic director in managing game/event announcing. THE VOICE ABOVE THE CROWD, will serve as the primary resource for the course. NASPAA’s goal is to teach the course for the first time at the National Conference of High School Directors of Athletics in New Orleans this December.

Information about NASPAA membership and THE VOICE ABOVE THE CROWD can be found on the organization’s website, www.naspaa.net. NASPAA is managed by Allegro Media of Kansas City.
Board of Directors Makes Some Changes During Spring Meeting In Winston

WINSTON-SALEM—The North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors held its semiannual board meeting at the Holiday Inn Select hotel in early May, and there were a number of major agenda items that were discussed.

As is customary, the first day of the Board meeting was devoted almost all day to committee work, during which the Board divided into those groups. The committees include policy and student services, sports, review and officiating, and finance and personnel. Then the second day of the meeting includes action items when the Board convenes and takes action on committee recommendations.

Here are some of the highlights of the Board meeting and some of the changes that member schools can look for in the coming months:

—the budget and the insurance program for 2004-05 were approved; the action budget is at $2.823.851

—championship ticket prices will increase in football and basketball, the first move upward in years and more in line with what other states are doing; tickets will be nine dollars presale and ten dollars at the gate (up from seven and eight)

—Handbooks and Directories are going up in price for the first time in many years to help cover printing costs: Handbooks and Directories will be nine dollars each, and that also covers the cost of mailing

—an increase in the NCHSAA Hall of Fame banquet ticket price was approved, from $25 to $40

—Deputy executive director Dick Knox will go on contract form July 1 through December 31, 2004

—a recommendation was approved to continue returning extra revenue from football subdivision to help schools with deficits or excessive travel; a total of $26,310 was approved in that capacity

—the Board approved a statement to the effect that calendar issues relating to the starting and ending of school have been and should remain a local Board of Education matter

—an approved recommendation that an assistant principal, principal, or superintendent who has 25 years combined service in those capacities at a member school or North Carolina LEA would be eligible for a lifetime athletic pass. The application process has yet to be developed.

—an approved a recommendation, pending review by NCHSAA legal counsel, related to transfer students which would read in the Handbook: “No student may participate at a second school in the same sport during the same sport season, except in the event of a bona fide change in residence of the parent(s) or legal custodian; change of schools must be contemporaneous with change in residence.”

—an approved requests of Manteo and Jacksonville to change classifications due to opening of other schools in their districts which effected them; since they are in split conferences they will not have to change conferences

—football changes: shoulder pads now are added to “acceptable” dresse during the first three officials days of football practice; teams may also now scrimmage outside opponent or practice with another school after the ninth separate day of practice and before the first contest, either Endowment or regular season (change from after 11 separate days of practice);

—slight adjustments in seeding process for football

—two East Regional football games and two regional baseball series have been approved to be held at East Carolina University during the 2004-05 academic year

—regional baseball will be a best of three series in both 2004 and 2005

—noted from the ejection report that ejections were down in fall and winter sports, but up in spring sports

Trinity’s Watts Wins Courage Award From NCHSAA

CHAPEL HILL—A student-athlete from Trinity High School was honored by the North Carolina High School Athletic Association at its 2004 Annual Meeting in Winston-Salem with the NCHSAA’s A.J. “Tony” Simeon Courage Award.

The award was presented to Trinity’s Jonathan Watts at the Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum.

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 NCHSAA Hall of Fameer Tony Simeon, a long-time coach at High Point Central.

Watts, a member of the 2004 NCHSAA state 3-A men’s basket-ball championship team, was seriously injured in an automobile accident on his way to school on the morning of November 20. A furniture truck was blinded by the sunlight and struck his car.

Jonathan, who is president of his senior class and a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, was critically injured. A North Carolina Highway Patrolman, who was already on the scene because of another wreck earlier in the morning, literally saved the student’s life and stabilized him until he was airlifted to North Carolina Baptist Hospital.

Watts made a miraculous recovery from his injuries and wound up missing 11 games. He was able to return to action late in the season, including keying a fourth-quarter comeback in the regional final that propelled Trinity into the state championship game.

Trinity principal Daryl Barnes says, “Jonathan is an example of the definition of courage. It was his spirit, faith and bravery that made him the young man he is today.”

“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.”
Individuals Recognized For Service With 90th Anniversary Awards At Annual Meeting

WINSTON-SALEM—The North Carolina High School Athletic Association recognized a number of people in honor of the Association’s 90th anniversary at the NCHSAA Annual Meeting last week at the Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum.

These individuals were recognized for their long-term contributions to high school athletics and the NCHSAA.

A total of 90 individuals have been honored in this fashion during the course of the 2003-04 academic year. Some of them received their awards at the regional meetings in the fall, and others were honored at the Annual Meeting.

The list of honorees follows. The school or unit listed is either the current location of the honoree or the one with which he or she might be primarily connected during a distinguished career.

“The are always glad to recognize those who give so much for the student-athletes of North Carolina,” said NCHSAA executive director Charlie Adams. “The 90 whom we have honored during the course of this 90th anniversary have helped the Association in so many different ways. They’ve been coaches, athletic directors, principals, superintendents, media, or others who have served on committees, helped run championships, been members of our Board or committees—they’ve done just about anything that could be done with the NCHSAA. We are proud to honor them.”

NCHSAA 90TH ANNIVERSARY AWARDS

Region 1
Georg Whitfield, Richmond Senior
Hilda Worthington, Farmville Central
Bob Dailey, Pitt County Schools
Bud Phillips, Greenville Rose
Richard Murray, Hertford County
Carolyn Rogers, Perquimans
Charles Simmons, Hertford County.

Region 2
Dave Thomas, Wayne County Public Schools
James “Rabbit” Fulghum, Greene Central
E.R. Mason, White Oak and Clinton
Joe Miller, New Hanover County Schools
Sheila Boles, Wilmington Hoggard
Tom Saltier, South Lenoir
F red Lynch, Wilmington Laney

Region 3
Tim Brayboy, NC Dept of Public Instruction
Kathy Stefanou, Raleigh Millbrook
Ruth Pool, Durham Hillside
Bobby Guthrie, Wake County Schools
Jimmy Tillman, Wilson Fike
J.J. Ray, Halifax County Schools

Region 4
John Daskal, Terry Sanford
Earl Vaughan, Fayetteville Observer
Kellum Flipp, Southeastern Officials
Association
Brooks Matthews, Triton
Fred McDaniel, Cumberland County
Schools
Eva Patterson-Heath, Red Springs

Region 5
Mike Raybon, Ragsdale
And ma Cozart, High Point Central
Herb Goins, Guilford County schools
Donna Norman, South Stokes
Martha Land, Mount Tabor
Phil Rapp, Davidson County schools

Region 6
Bruce Hardin, A.L. Brown and Providence
Debbie Jones, West Charlotte and Vance
George Litton, Crest
Leroy Holden, North Mecklenburg
Jim Taylor, Shelby
Beverly Burnett, Central Cabarrus

Region 7
Bob Ward, Surry County Schools
Bill Church, Mount Airy City Schools
Mark Payne, Ashe Central
Richard Johnson, Hickory

Region 8
Ken Ball, Cherokee
Mac Cumbo, North Henderson
Doyce Cannon, Cherokee
O.L. Sherrill, Asheville
Jack Huss, R-S Central
Jan Stanley, West Henderson

STATEWIDE
Mandy Lance,
NCHSAA insurance administrator
Lawrence Braxton,
American Advantage Insurance

90th Anniversary Awards

These individuals were recognized at the Annual Meeting; other 90th anniversary award winners were recognized at regional meetings.
Eight Coaches Earn 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 at the Lawrence Joel Veteran Memorial Coliseum in Winston-Salem.

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 Sue Tucker as part of the Association's student services program.

Coaches receiving this honor for 2003-2004 include the following:

North Johnston head women's golf coach Phil Pittman
Polk County head football coach Bruce Ollis
Raleigh Sanderson assistant football coach Mike Cody
Camden head men's basketball coach Mark Harney
Northeast Guilford head men's basketball coach Ron Williams
Belmont South Point cross-country and women's track coach Charlotte Sautner
Goldsboro head women's basketball and women's outdoor track coach Gladys McClary
Alexander Central head women's basketball coach Caroline Whittington

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, along with the NCHSAA's annual Sportsmanship Awards to member schools.

Cheer Ltd., Inc. and Clark Sporting Goods Renew Sponsorship With NCHSAA

The North Carolina High School Athletic Association is pleased to announce that sponsorship has been renewed with Fayetteville, NC-based Cheer Ltd., Inc. and Clark Sporting Goods for another three years starting with the 2004-05 school year. Serving athletes in North Carolina and across the globe, Cheer Ltd., Inc. has been in business since 1988 while Clark Sporting Goods has been serving North Carolina athletes since 1938.

The NCHSAA and Cheer Ltd./Clark Sporting Goods have partnered together for over seven years and look forward to continuing this fine relationship for future years. In the most recent renewal, Cheer Ltd. will become a co-sponsor of the NCHSAA Cheerleading Invitational event.

"Our staff is very excited about the continued relationship with Cheer Ltd. and Clark Sporting Goods. We enjoy working together with their staff to provide a top-notch cheerleading event for our young athletes. The second annual cheerleading invitational should be even more exciting than this year's," said Charlie Adams, NCHSAA executive director.

Cheer Ltd., Inc. was recently named the 2003 North Carolina Small Business of the Year by Business North Carolina magazine.

Specializing in services and products for cheerleaders and coaches, Cheer Ltd., Inc. is the parent company of the CANAM International Cheer & Dance Championships, the National Cheer Conference, Cheer Ltd. Private Summer Camps, Cheer Ltd. Regional Cheer & Dance Competitions, the National Cheer Judges Certification Program, the National Cheerleader of the Year Scholarship Competition, the National Cheer Coach of the Year Program, and the National Cheer Team of the Year Program.

In addition, Cheer Ltd., Inc. is a founding member of the National Council for Spirit Safety and Education (NCSE), a non-profit organization focusing on safety training for coaches, and proud producers of the new NCHSAA Invitational Cheerleading Championships.

Clark Sporting Goods is a full-service team sporting goods dealer that serves athletes in eastern North Carolina. Offering a full line of apparel, equipment, and accessories, Clark Sporting Goods is noted for meeting the needs of any coach and team with top of the line customer service. A member of the prestigious Sports Inc. consortium, Clark Sporting Goods is the exclusive supplier for all major sporting goods manufacturers in the region.

Clark Sporting Goods will be displaying at the North Carolina Coaches Show in Greensboro this summer!

2004 Eight Who Make A Difference Winners Recognized At Annual Meeting

Coaches Named For North Carolina Shrine Bowl Team

The head coach and assistant coaches have been named for the North Carolina team for the 2004 Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas.

North Carolina's senior all-stars will play their South Carolina counterparts in the annual Shrine Bowl on December 18, 2004, at Wofford College's Gibbs Stadium in Spartanburg, S.C. Kickoff will be 1 p.m.

Veteran coach Dickie Cline of Kernersville Glenn will serve as the North Carolina head coach.

Members of the staff will include Scott Braswell of Wilmington Hoggard, John Devine of Belmont South Point, Richard Grissom of Elkin, Steve Johnson of Burlington Cummings, Chris Norman of Shelby and Dixon Sauls of Farmville Central.

Cheer Younger of Eastern Guilford will be the adult trainer for the North Carolina team.

North Carolina has won the last two Shrine Bowls, including a 21-12 triumph in the 2003 contest. South Carolina still holds an edge in the series, 37-24-4.

The Shrine Bowl is played to benefit the Greenville (SC) Unit Shriners Hospital for Children and 21 other Shriners Hospitals across the nation. Last year's game receipts and temple contributions raised $1.1 million. Since the first Shrine Bowl in 1937, over $51 million has been raised for the Shriners Hospitals.
NCHSAA Coach-Captain Retreat Attracts Students From Across State

RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK—The North Carolina High School Athletic Association held its spring 2004 Coach-Captain Retreat recently, the 19th 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 March 28-29 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 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 that 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, former coach at Williamson High and safe and drug free schools coordinator for the Martin County Schools; Beth Jaharias, early childhood specialist and former teacher from Raleigh; Ralph Holloway, principal at East Carteret High School and former athletic director and coach currently on the Board of Directors of the NCHSAA.

Other facilitators included Patrick Gunn, a coach at Topsail High School; Teresa Coleman, a coach at West Bladen, and Faye Corbin, a coach at Hope Mills South View.

Teams always conclude their retreat experience by developing an action plan, something that can be taken back and executed in their local school. Among the components of the action plan are bulletin boards in the school, public service announcements for the school intercom, a community service project, a newsletter for student-athletes or some other idea generated by the team.

There were over 100 participants in the retreat, with a total of 63 student-athletes and 37 adults attending. The adult total included 16 coaches from 16 different schools.


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.

Art Jones

RALEIGH—Art Jones, who for years was the Director of Substance Abuse Services for the North Carolina Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services, died suddenly in late March at the age of 57.

Jones was an outstanding athlete at E.E. Smith High School and then later at Shaw University.

He helped create the Governor’s Academy of Prevention Professionals, known as GAPP, for professionals in the field of substance abuse. His connection with the North Carolina High School Athletic Association had primarily been through the Student Services Program. Ha had been involved with the NCHSAA and their Chemical Awareness Conference in the late 1980’s.

Janet Merrill

DURHAM—Janet Merrill, the wife of Northern Durham head football coach Gary Merrill, was killed in an automobile accident late in March.

She was 37.

She had served as an athletic trainer for the Northern Durham program. The funeral was held at Mount Sylvan United Methodist Church in Durham.

Glenn Poole

KNIGHTDALE—Glenn Poole, who had officiated for years in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association, died suddenly in April at the age of 68.

Poole had umpired baseball at one level or another for some 50 years.

The funeral was held at Samaria Baptist Church in Raleigh.

Farmsville Central Coach Named Citizen Of Year In His Community

FARMVILLE—A long time coach and educator received a prestigious recognition in his community.

Dixon Sauls of Farmville Central High School was named the 2004 Citizen of the Year during the Farmville Chamber of Commerce’s Annual Meeting in April. The award was presented to him at the Whitley House following a comprehensive introduction from the Rev. Randy Maynard, a former minister in Farmville who formed a lasting friendship with Sauls in the late 1990s.

The longtime athletic director and head football coach has been one of the state’s most successful coaches during his 27 years at Farmville, with 218 victories during that stretch. He coached for seven years at Ayden-Griffin before coming back to Farmville, from which he had graduated.

“It’s not about awards and recognition. It’s about the relationships I share with the people who knew my parents and know me,” Sauls said. “It’s good to be recognized now among my community and my family.”

The Citizen of the Year is selected by a committee of individuals that have won the award in the past. The panel, which included 22 people this year, accepted nominations from local civic groups before making a decision.

Sauls has always made time for his faith, his family and his friends. At Farmville United Methodist Church, he has taught Sunday School, served as a lay leader, and has overseen the annual funding drives for the stewardship committee—even though that last campaign falls right in the middle of football season.

Dixon’s daughter Lindsay, a student at the University of North Carolina, worked as an intern at the North Carolina High School Athletic Association offices during the 2003-04 academic year.
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 created 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 2003, a total of 6,764 student-athletes were nominated and 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 total of 459 varsity teams and 6,466 individual athletes 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.

Three schools did exceptionally well this year in the team award category. North Wilkes claimed the women’s basketball, women’s cross country, and football team GPA awards. West Henderson won the wrestling and men’s basketball divisions, and West Rowan received honors for both men’s soccer and volleyball.

Rockingham’s Richmond Senior High School’s women’s tennis team had an exceptional 3.937 grade point average as a team in winning the top award in that sport.

“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 definitely a step toward securing a tremendous number of athletes that are playing sports and succeeding in the classroom.”

NCHSAA SCHOLAR-ATHLETE TEAM AWARD WINNERS

Fall and Winter Sports (Fall Semester 2003)

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The Voice Above The Crowd Provides
National Guidelines For Public Address Announcing

KANSAS CITY—THE VOICE ABOVE THE CROWD, a comprehensive manual about sports public-address announcing, has been written for active sports public-address announcers and individuals, such as athletic directors or association administrators, who are responsible for hiring and assigning announcers. The purpose of THE VOICE ABOVE THE CROWD is to improve the level of professionalism of sports public-address announcing and to promote national uniformity.

THE VOICE ABOVE THE CROWD addresses the major aspects of a sports public-address announcer’s duties and responsibilities, some of which pertain to emergency situations. Checklists and sample scripts, as well as examples of proper and improper announcing are included. Basic information for 14 sports that sports public-address announcers need to know, along with the spotter’s duties, are also covered.

The National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association, National Junior College Athletic Association and National Association of Interscholastic Athletics endorse THE VOICE ABOVE THE CROWD. Whereas the information and guidelines contained in this publication are approved for announcing high school, junior college and small college athletic contests and events, THE VOICE ABOVE THE CROWD is ideal for amateur sports at all levels.

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# 2004-2005 NCHSAA State Clinic Sites

## Football State Clinics—2004
- **Sun. July 25**
  - 2:00 pm
  - Vance High School, Charlotte
- **Mon. July 26**
  - 7:00 pm
  - Smoky Mountain High School, Sylva
- **Tue. July 27**
  - 7:00 pm
  - AB Tech, Asheville
- **Wed. July 28**
  - 7:00 pm
  - East Burke High School, Icard
- **Thur. July 29**
  - 7:00 pm
  - West Forsyth High School, Winton-Salem
- **Sun. Aug. 1**
  - 7:00 pm
  - Douglas Byrd High School, Fayetteville
- **Mon. Aug. 2**
  - 7:00 pm
  - East Duplin High School, Beulaville
- **Tue. Aug. 3**
  - 7:00 pm
  - JH Rose High School, Greenville
- **Sat. July 31**
  - 4:00 pm
  - JH Rose High School, Greenville (Eastern Plains)
- **Sun. Aug. 1**
  - 6:00 pm
  - Jacksonville High School, Jacksonville (Eastern)
- **Sat. Aug. 7**
  - 11:00 am
  - Murray Elementary, Hickory (Blue Ridge)
- **Sat. Aug. 7**
  - 2:00 pm
  - Currituck High School, Barco (Northeastern)
- **Sun. Aug. 8**
  - 4:00 pm
  - Vance High School, Charlotte (Mecklenburg)
- **Sun. Aug. 15**
  - 5:00 pm
  - Western Guilford High School, Greensboro (Piedmont)

## Soccer State Clinics—2004 (Association)
- **Sun. July 18**
  - 2:00 pm
  - Douglas Byrd High School, Fayetteville (Southeastern)
- **Sun. July 25**
  - 2:00 pm
  - Franklin Fire Department, Franklin (WNCOA)
- **Mon. July 26**
  - 6:30 pm
  - AB Tech, Asheville (WNCOA)
- **Sat. July 31**
  - 4:00 pm
  - JH Rose High School, Greenville (Eastern Plains)
- **Sun. Aug. 1**
  - 6:00 pm
  - Jacksonville High School, Jacksonville (Eastern)
- **Sat. Aug. 7**
  - 11:00 am
  - Murray Elementary, Hickory (Blue Ridge)
- **Sat. Aug. 7**
  - 2:00 pm
  - Currituck High School, Barco (Northeastern)
- **Sun. Aug. 8**
  - 4:00 pm
  - Vance High School, Charlotte (Mecklenburg)
- **Sun. Aug. 15**
  - 5:00 pm
  - Western Guilford High School, Greensboro (Piedmont)

## Volleyball State Clinics—2004 (Association)
- **Sat. July 10**
  - 2:00 pm
  - Holmes High School, Edenton (Northeastern)
- **Sun. July 18**
  - 2:00 pm
  - White Oak High School, Jacksonville (Coastal Plains)
- **Thurs. July 22**
  - 4:00 pm
  - Newton Conover High School, Newton (Western Piedmont)
- **Sat. July 24**
  - 9:00 am
  - Hunt High School, Wilson (Wilson)
- **Sun. July 25**
  - 2:00 pm
  - Franklin High School, Franklin (Southwestern)
- **Sun. July 25**
  - 2:00 pm
  - Williston Middle School, Wilmington (Cape Fear)

## Swimming State Clinics—2004
- **Sun. Oct. 17**
  - 3:00 pm
  - Asheboro High School, Asheboro
- **Sun. Oct. 17**
  - 3:00 pm
  - Enloe High School, Raleigh
- **Sun. Oct. 17**
  - 3:00 pm
  - Hoggard High School, Wilmington
- **Sun. Oct. 17**
  - 3:00 pm
  - Kinston High School, Kinston
- **Sun. Oct. 17**
  - 3:00 pm
  - Murphy High School, Murphy
- **Sun. Oct. 17**
  - 3:00 pm
  - Riverside High School, Durham
- **Sun. Oct. 17**
  - 3:00 pm
  - St. Stephens High School, Hickory
- **Sun. Oct. 17**
  - 3:00 pm
  - TC Roberson High School, Asheville
- **Sun. Oct. 17**
  - 3:00 pm
  - Vance High School, Charlotte
- **Sun. Oct. 17**
  - 3:00 pm
  - Washington High School, Washington
- **Sun. Oct. 17**
  - 3:00 pm
  - Western Guilford High School, Greensboro

## Basketball State Clinics—2004
- **Sun. Oct. 24**
  - 2:00 pm
  - Vance High School, Charlotte
- **Sun. Oct. 24**
  - 7:00 pm
  - West Forsyth High School, Winston-Salem
- **Mon. Oct. 25**
  - 7:00 pm
  - Smoky Mountain High School, Sylva

## Wrestling State Clinics—2004 (Association)
- **Sat. Oct. 16**
  - 12:00 noon
  - Orange High School, Hillsborough
- **Sun. Oct. 17**
  - 2:00 pm
  - Ragsdale High School, Jamestown (Piedmont)
- **Mon. Oct. 18**
  - 7:00 pm
  - AB Tech, Asheville (Mountain)
- **Sun. Oct. 24**
  - 3:00 pm
  - Kings BBQ, Kinston (Eastern)
- **Sun. Oct. 24**
  - 3:00 pm
  - Kannapolis Middle School, Kannapolis (Central)
- **Sun. Oct. 24**
  - 6:00 pm
  - Douglas Byrd High School, Fayetteville (Southeastern)
- **Mon. Oct. 25**
  - 7:00 pm
  - Chapel Hill High School, Chapel Hill (Triangle)
- **Tues. Oct. 26**
  - 7:00 pm
  - South Caldwell High School, Hudson (Northwest)

## Track State Clinics—2005
- **TBA**

## Baseball State Clinics—2005 (Association)
- **Sun. Jan. 9**
  - 3:00 pm
  - American Legion Post 100, Cherryville (Western Piedmont)
- **Sun. Jan. 9**
  - 3:30 pm
  - Douglas Byrd High School, Fayetteville (Southeastern)
- **Sun. Jan. 9**
  - 3:30 pm
  - South Central High School Library, Winterville (Down East)
- **Sun. Jan. 9**
  - 6:00 pm
  - White Oak High School, Jacksonville (Jacksonville)
- **Sun. Jan. 16**
  - 6:00 pm
  - Nash Central High School, Nashville (Eastern Plains)
- **Sat. Jan. 22**
  - 2:00 pm
  - Holmes High School, Edenton (Outer Banks)
- **Sat. Jan. 23**
  - 2:00 pm
  - Macon County Public Library, Franklin (Southwestern)
- **Mon. Jan. 24**
  - 7:30 pm
  - Alamance Recreation Dept., Burlington (Alco)
Hayesville Rallies To Beat Weldon For 1-A Championship

CHAPEL HILL—Hayesville scored the last 19 points of the game to come back and down Weldon 70-56 in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 1A men’s basketball championship at the Smith Center. The Jackets pulled away after trailing by as many as 11 in the third quarter and by eight with just 5:20 to go in the game.

Brett Bracken poured in 30 points for Hayesville, including a phenomenal 15 of 16 from the line, to earn MVP honors. The Yellow Jackets hit their last 12 foul shots in a row and their last five baskets from the field were three-pointers.

Joseph Chilton pumped in 20 for the winners while Charles Balmer led Weldon with 16 points.

Hayesville finished with a 29-2 record while Weldon closed its season at 23-5.

Cummings Takes Command Early In 2-A Championship Victory

RALEIGH—Burlington Cummings took command early and rolled to an 87-63 victory over East Bladen in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 2-A men’s basketball championship at Reynolds Coliseum. The Cavaliers (27-2) ran away from East as all five starters scored in double figures and the Cavs shot 53.2 percent from the floor as a team.

T.J. Gwynn, with 19 points and 11 rebounds for the winners, was the MVP for the second time in three years. Terrance Oliver also scored 19 and Dwight Jones 18 for Cummings. Stan Johnson led East Bladen (25-3) with 15 points.

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Trinity Downs Dudley 73-64 In State 3-A Title Contest

CHAPEL HILL—Trinity ran a spread offense to perfection and hit key shots to beat Dudley 73-64 in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association's state 3-A men's basketball championship at the Smith Center.

Josh King, the state's all-time leading three-point shooter, led Trinity with 21 points and game MVP John McEachin scored 18 and was a defensive stopper.

Kevin Swinton paced the Panthers with 26 points and 11 rebounds. Trinity spurted to a 13-3 lead and never trailed in the contest. The victorious Bulldogs won for the 29th time in 30 games while Dudley finished 25-8.

Wakefield Plays To Perfection, Stuns Reynolds 48-46 In 4-A


Wakefield, in just its fourth year of operation, won its inaugural basketball state title.

Sam Carlisle led the Wolverines (26-3) with 15 points and earned MVP honors while Kerry Atkinson hauled down 17 rebounds for the winners. Joe Fulp led Reynolds with 18 points.

A bucket by Elhadji N'Diaye with 1:41 to go gave Wakefield the lead for good. The Raleigh Sports Consortium is the major sponsor of the basketball championships held in Raleigh.
WOMEN’S BASKETBALL

Thomasville Rolls To Third Consecutive State Championship

CHAPEL HILL—Thomasville blew open a close game after halftime, outscoring Farmville 25-8 in the third quarter en route to a 67-48 victory over Farmville Central in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association’s state 1-A women’s basketball championship at the Smith Center.

Thomasville completed a 30-1 campaign and earned its third consecutive state crown.

Charnette Davis pumped in 18 points and pulled down 11 rebounds for Thomasville to earn MVP honors while Wuli Allford paced the winners with 19.

Soph Megan Zullo had a great game for Farmville (29-2) with 19 points, 10 rebounds, six assists and two steals.

Salisbury Completes Perfect Season, Cruises To 2-A Women’s Title

RALEIGH—Salisbury completed a perfect 31-0 campaign, blowing open a close game after halftime to beat Southern Vance 65-40 for the North Carolina High School Athletic Association 2-A women’s basketball championship at Reynolds Coliseum.

Sade Jordan scored 25 points and grabbed 11 rebounds and MVP Shayla Fields had 23 to lead the Hornets to a convincing victory.

Salisbury led just 32-29 at halftime but opened the third quarter with a 14-2 run to take command. Salisbury shot 55.6 percent from the floor for the game, 60 percent in the second half.

Alicia Person scored 13 for Southern Vance, which finished 27-3 overall.

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Asheville Rolls Past Southern For Second Consecutive Title

CHAPEL HILL—Asheville scored the first nine points of the game and sprinted to a 23-5 first-quarter advantage, coasting to a 64-47 victory over Southern Durham in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 3-A women’s basketball championship.

The Lady Cougars won their second straight state crown. Asheville’s final record was 28-1 overall.

Rashanda McCants, the sister of the University of North Carolina basketball standout, had 21 points for the winners and earned MVP honors while Danielle Burgin dropped in 13 points and grabbed 10 boards.

Southern cut a 24-point third-quarter advantage in half by the end of the period but got no closer. Ebony Little led Southern, which ended the season with a 21-9 record with 22 points.

Seventy-First Downs McDowell For State 4-A Championship

RALEIGH—Fayetteville Seventy-First hit key free throws down the stretch to hold on and take a 76-70 victory over McDowell in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 4-A women’s basketball championship.

LaToya Fringle, who is headed to UNC-Chapel Hill to continue her career, earned her second consecutive MVP and her team its second straight title. She scored 25 points and hauled down 18 rebounds for Seventy-First, which finished with a 30-1 record and a 30-game winning streak.

Anna Atkinson had 20 points and nine assists for McDowell down 19 apiece for McDowell (29-3).

Seventy-First hit 11 of 12 free throws down the stretch to preserve the victory.

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MEN’S GOLF

Cameron Cheek Of Jordan-Matthews Wins Title; J-M Wins 1-A Team Championship

PINEHURST—Junior Cameron Cheek of Siler City-Jordan-Matthews played consistent golf in the final round to take top individual honors in the seventh annual North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 1-A men’s golf championship at The Club at Longleaf.

Cheek had an even par 72 on Tuesday to go with an opening round 71 for a one-over par total of 143, two shots ahead of East Surry’s Tommy Gibson. Cheek and Gibson had been the co-leaders after opening round 71’s.

Jordan-Matthews pulled away on Tuesday for its second consecutive NCHSAA 1-A team crown. The Jets shot a 614 total, 13 shots ahead of runner-up East Surry after starting the day with a four-stroke lead.

Wendy’s and the Carolinas Ford Dealers are the presenting sponsor of the golf championships. A total of 63 golfers competed in the NCHSAA 1-A state tournament.

NCHSAA 7th Annual CLASS A MEN’S STATE GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS—2004

The Club at Longleaf—Par 71, 6600 yards

FINAL TEAM SCORES

1. Siler City Jordan-Matthews 301-313-614
2. East Surry 305-322-627
3. Williamston 319-315-634
4. North Lincoln 319-319-638
5. Boonville Starmount 320-319-639
6. Ayden-Groff 330-322-652
7. West Davidson 335-336-671
8. Seven Springs Spring Creek 335-349-684
9. Murphy 345-343-688

Northern Vance’s Faulkner Rallies To Win; Catholic Comes From Behind In State 2-A Golf

BUIES CREEK—Senior Daniel Faulkner of Northern Vance fired a five-under par 67 to come from behind and capture medalist honors in the 19th annual North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 2-A men’s golf championships at Keith Hills Country Club.

Faulkner had been tied with a group of six golfers at 74 after the first round, seven shots behind first-day leader Cody Walker of Lenoir Hribriten.

In the team standings, Charlotte Catholic shot a brilliant 296 on the final day of play to storm past first-day leader Westmoreland to take the team title. Catholic finished with a two-day score of 593, six shots ahead of Westmoreland.

It was the first state golf championship for Catholic since it won the 2000 2-A title at Finley Golf Course in Chapel Hill.

Hribriten placed third at 609, 16 strokes off the pace, with Ledford fourth.

A total of 84 golfers competed in the two-day tournament. Wendy’s and the Carolinas Ford Dealers are the presenting sponsors of the golf championships.

NCHSAA 19TH ANNUAL STATE 2-A MEN’S GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS

Keith Hills Country Club, Buies Creek
Par 72, 6129 yards

FINAL TEAM STANDINGS

1. Charlotte Catholic 297-296-593
2. Western Alamance 292-307-599
3. Lenoir Hribriten 304-305-609
4. Ledford 308-308-616
5. High Point T.W. Andrews 313-312-625
6. Edenton Holmes 315-314-629
7. North Henderson 325-320-645
8. South Brunswick 333-314-647
9. Eastern Alamance 326-325-644
10. Shelby 330-343-673
11. Currin 335-339-674
12. Randleman 331-350-681

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Fike Golfer Wins Individual Honors; Southwest Guilford Takes Team Title In 3-A Golf

VASS—Sophomore John Tyler Griffin of Wilson Fike blistered the front nine with a 33 on the final day and went on to win the individual title in the 19th annual North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 3-A men’s golf championships at Woodlake Country Club.

Tyler Griffin fired a two-under par 70 for the day to go with his opening round of 70. The four-under total of 140 was good for a five-shot victory over Derek Wallace of Smithfield-Selma.

Southwest Guilford held on to the team lead and won the championship by 12 shots after entering the day with a six-stroke advantage, finishing with a total of 605. Wilson Fike was second at 617 and defending champion Hickory, which had two of the last three 3-A crowns, placed third at 624.

A total of 84 golfers competed in the two-day tournament. Wendy’s and the Carolinas Ford Dealers are the presenting sponsors of the golf championships.

NCHSAA 19TH ANNUAL CLASS AAA MEN’S STATE GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS
Woodlake Golf Club—Par 72, 6421 yards

FINAL TEAM STANDINGS
1. Southwest Guilford 299-306-605
2. Wilson Fike 305-312-617
3. Hickory 304-320-624
4. Shelby Crest 309-316-625
5. Matthews Weddington 305-324-629
Clayton 308-321-629
7. High Point Central 318-315-633
8. Statesville 319-317-636
9. East Chapel Hill 319-318-637
10. R-S Central 316-324-640
11. West Cartersville 320-324-644
12. Nash Central 343-337-682

Simpson, Broughton Take Titles At Pinehurst In 4-A Men’s Golf

PINEHURST—Raleigh’s Broughton Webb Simpson finished his prep golf career with a flourish, winning the individual title in the 68th annual North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 4-A men’s golf championships at Pinehurst course number two.

Simpson had a one-under par 71, combined with the tournament’s best round on Monday at Pinehurst number two at 70, for a 141 total. That was two shots ahead of Chip Deselms of Wilmington Ashley. Deselms torched Pinehurst number two for a 67 on the final day to vault into second place after an opening round 76.

It was Simpson’s first NCHSAA championship, although he had been a contender for top honors in the state tournament throughout his career. He finished in a massive tie for third last year and wound up fifth in a playoff after finishing as state runner-up as a sophomore and in fifth as a freshman back in 2001.

Broughton added its sixth NCHSAA 4-A team title in the last seven years in a very tight battle. The Caps had a brilliant 291 on Tuesday to finish at 590, three shots ahead of defending champion Green Hope.

A total of 84 golfers competed in the tournament. Wendy’s and the Carolinas Ford Dealers are the presenting sponsors of the golf championships.

NCHSAA 68TH ANNUAL CLASS AAAA MEN’S STATE GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS
Pinehurst number four, Pinehurst (2nd round) Pinehurst number two, Pinehurst (1st round)

TEAM SCORES-FINAL STANDINGS
PL Team Score
1. Raleigh Broughton 299-291-590
2. Morrisville Green Hope 300-293-593
3. Apex 307-295-602
4. Charlotte Myers Park 301-304-605
5. Greensboro Grimsley 308-307-615
6. Watauga 317-308-635
7. Northwest Guilford 311-315-626
8. Chapel Hill 323-308-631
9. Charlotte Vance 322-312-634
10. Wilmington New Hanover 328-311-659
11. Wilmington Hoggard 343-304-647
12. Greenville Rose 323-327-650

Tillman Leads North Rowan to 2-A Victory; High Point Andrews Wins Women’s Competition

RALEIGH—North Rowan’s Andre Tillman was named the Most Valuable Performer as his team rolled to the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 2-A men’s track and field championship in convincing fashion at the Paul Derr Track on the North Carolina State University campus.

Tillman won the triple jump and the 300 high hurdles while finishing second in the long jump as North rolled to its seventh state crown in the last 11 years. North Rowan tallied a whopping 98.5 points to 42 for runner-up Reidsville. High Point T.W. Andrews was third with 36 points.

Colton Weaver of North Henderson set a new Class 2-A record in the pole vault, clearing 15 feet even. West Caldwell’s Willie Perry captured top honors in both the 100 and 200.

High Point Andrews outdistanced Northside Onslow for the women’s crown. Sarah Porter of High Point Andrews, a double winner in both the long jump and high jump, was named the meet MVP. Andrews tallied 47 points to 41 for Northside, with perennial power Burlington Cummings third with 38 points.

West Lincoln’s Lily Tallent took top honors in both the discus and the shot put while Shontay Dood of Greene Central won both the 100 and 200.

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Harding University Slips Past Mount Tabor In Women’s; Southeast Mount Tabor in Men’s 4-A

RALEIGH—It came down to the last event of the day, and Harding University of Charlotte slipped past defending champion Winston-Salem Mount Tabor to win the women’s competition in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 4-A track and field championships at the Paul Derr Track on the North Carolina State University campus.

Mount Tabor led Harding University by a single point entering the women’s four by 400 meter relay, and the two teams ran in the same timed final. But the Harding University team put together a tremendous performance to win the event while Mount Tabor finished 11th.

Harding University finished with 89 points to 80 for Mount Tabor, while Charlotte Vance and Southeast Raleigh tied for third with 49.

Senior Erica Montgomery of Mount Tabor was named the Most Valuable Performer of the women’s championships, winning both the 100 and 200 and running a leg on a pair of relay teams that finished second.

Durham Jordan’s Kate Merrill was a distance double winner, taking both the 1600 and 3200, while Harding’s Kamoreen Hayes excelled in the field events with wins in the shot and discus.

Southeast Raleigh’s depth helped it cruise to the men’s title, with 66 points to 43 for defending men’s champion West Charlotte. Raleigh Sanderson was third with 39.5.

Jonathan Hancock of West Charlotte was the men’s MVP, with a win in the 200 and second place finish in the 100 in addition to participation on a couple of relays.

Carver Livengood of Asheville A.C. Reynolds captured first place in both hurdles events.

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