



Two Burke County Athletes Earn Top Honors At Annual Meeting



**2009 NCHSAA Athletes of the Year
Tyler Shatley (East Burke) and Ali Ford
(Freedom) hold Pat Best Memorial Trophies**
(NCHSAA photo by John Bell)

CHAPEL HILL—Two Burke County athletes, Ali Ford of Morganton Freedom High School and Tyler Shatley of East Burke High School, have been named winners of the 2009 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 Dean E. Smith Center on the University of North Carolina campus during the NCHSAA's Annual Meeting.

Both of the winners were 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 have tremendously impressive credentials along the lines of the previous outstanding winners of this award, and we certainly wish them the best in the future."

Shatley is a tremendous three-sport athlete, excelling in football, wrestling and track.

In football, he was a star who was the 2008 Northwestern Conference Player of the Year as a fullback, defensive lineman and punter. During the 2008 campaign he rushed for 792 yards and scored 18 touchdowns while recording 51 tackles and three sacks. The team captain also punted for better than a 40-yard average. He was named to several all-star teams in that sport and played in the Shrine Bowl.

In wrestling, he was a two-time Northwestern Conference champion and Western Regional champion and was the state runner-up in the heavyweight classification in both 2008 and 2009. He had a record of 34-1 with 29 pins this season and was 38-1 in the 2007-08 year.

He is currently competing in track and field, but Shatley is the defending state champion in the shot put and set an East Burke school record last year with a toss of 58 feet, 1 inch. He was fifth in the state in the discus in 2008 as well. A stellar student who is a member of the National Honor Society with a 4.58 weighted grade point average, he will attend Clemson University next year on a football scholarship.

Ford has had a remarkable high school career, earning an amazing 18 varsity letters and 12 all-conference recognitions. She has participated in three varsity sports for four years each, including golf, basketball and softball, ran cross-country three years while playing tennis for two seasons and running track as a freshman. She has played five sports during her senior year.

She played in the women's golf state championships all four years at Freedom and was runner-up for the conference player of the year honor in that sport. In basketball she earned the Northwestern Conference Player of the Year award this year and finished her career with 2,502 points, seventh best all-time in the NCHSAA in the five-player game. She also hit 286 three-point field goals during

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	Katrelle Armwood, Durham School of Arts A.J. Davis, Northern Durham
2002-03	Anna Evans, Lumberton Drew Williamson, Cummings
2003-04	Eva Baucom, Forest Hills Jim Ollis, Polk County
2004-05	Jessie Sims, West Henderson Terrell Hudgins, Rocky Mount
2005-06	Megan Zullo, Farmville Central Kendric Burney, Southwest Onslow
2006-07	Gabby Mayo, Southeast Raleigh Dee Bost, Concord
2007-08	Jannetta Robinson, Pender E.J. Abrams-Ward, Thomasville
2008-09	Ali Ford, Freedom Tyler Shatley, East Burke

About 150,000 athletes compete in the NCHSAA's 21-sport program.

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Board Of Directors Makes Adjustments At Spring Meeting

CHAPEL HILL—The North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors concluded its spring meeting at the Simon F. Terrell Building by taking a number of actions.

Among the items approved was a strong statement from the Board relative to cost containment measures:

“The North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors, in light of the difficult economic times which have hit our state, strongly encourages local school systems and NCHSAA member schools to consider voluntary reductions in regular season contests, especially in junior varsity non-conference games and non revenue sports. Other cost-saving measures for athletics could be considered by schools and conferences, and some suggestions will be posted on the NCHSAA web site and will be a major discussion item at regional meetings. Member schools are encouraged to share specific cost cutting ideas with NCHSAA staff.

“The Board will also put together a study committee to review other issues, such as number of playoff berths, number of regular season contests and lengths of season in a variety of sports.”

The Sports Medicine Advisory Committee had a March meeting and made several recommendations to the Board which were approved:

1. The NCHSAA Board of Directors went on record in general support of each member school hiring a North Carolina licensed or certified athletic trainer.

2. That in order for any student receiving a head injury or suspected concussion, he or she must have the return to play form signed by a doctor licensed to practice medicine before being allowed to return to practice and/or play. Sports Medicine Advisory Committee (SMAC) would develop form.

3. Recommend that each member school certify every year an updated emergency action plan, which includes the AED plan, is on file either in the principal's or athletic director's office, and that athletic personnel have reviewed and understand the EAP.

4. Information concerning safety education and awareness be added to the NCHSAA eligibility power point; the additional slides will be developed by the Sports Medicine Advisory Committee.

The recommendations go into effect July 1.

--some of the outline for lacrosse was approved by the Board. Men and women will both play open classification to start. Plan is that it would be a spring sport for both. Number of games has been a subject of lots of discussion but recommendation will be a 16-game season limit, no more than three a week. It will be governed by the spring sports calendar with the day of starting practice, etc. Two-person and three-person officiating crews will be allowed for regular season but will use three in playoffs. Site for championships is still TBA but Saturday, May 15 is tentative

championship date for 2010, with Tuesday/Friday playoff games.

--Recommend moving start of winter sports season back to November 1, rescinding earlier action by Board (November 2 for 2009-10 since the first is a Sunday).

--Voted to end an experiment in swimming qualifying procedures and move back to 2007-08 qualifying format for 3-A swimming and add regionals for 1-A/2-A swimming, based on the 3-A format.

--The number allowed in skill development in wrestling was moved from seven to eight, since number of weight classes as increased since number was set.

--numbers for the 2-A classification in wrestling are now enough for its own tournament championship, so now there will be four different classification individual wrestling tournament championships; 1-A state tournament will have eight person state bracket and 1-A will have its own regionals as a result.

--sectional basketball for both men and women will be played on Monday, Wednesday and Friday with doubleheaders encouraged to lessen travel.

--recommend staff be authorized to increase 1-A dual team tennis bracket based on what numbers may dictate with growth of sport at that classification; current bracket is 16, could go to 24 but not more than 32. ★

Recipients Named For Third Annual Golden Whistle Merit Awards

CHAPEL HILL—Three outstanding individuals from the world of high school officiating are being honored with an award for lifetime achievement.

Russell Ward of Elizabeth City, Brad Allen of Fayetteville and Ron Sebastian of Garner are recipients of the third annual Golden Whistle Merit Award, created in a partnership among the North Carolina High School Athletic Association (NCHSAA), the North Carolina Coaches Association (NCCA) and the North Carolina Athletic Directors Association (NCADA).

Criteria for the award include demonstrating leadership, performance, service and training for the betterment of officiating, possessing officiating abilities emulated by fellow officials, being regarded as a person of integrity and character, and a minimum of 10 years of experience as an active official.

This year's recipients of the Golden Whistle Merit Award include:

Russell Ward called his first high school game

in North Carolina in 1972 and has been very active in the officiating community since then. A member of the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (CIAA) Hall of Fame, he officiated in the CIAA from 1976 to '92 and for the past 10 years has run a camp in Elizabeth City for training and developing officials. Currently an advisor and observer for the CIAA, the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) and the Northeast Officials Association for high school officials, Ward also teaches sports officiating classes at Elizabeth City State University.

Brad Allen is a basketball, football and baseball official in the Southeastern Athletic Officials Association while also serving as an accomplished collegiate official. He is a current Atlantic Coast Conference referee and crew chief and worked the 2007 Motor City Bowl and the 2009 International Bowl. Allen has worked NCHSAA championships in football, baseball and basketball and serves as the clinic leader and booking supervisor for officials in the Southern Officials

Association, serving Robeson County and all of its recreation programs.

Ron Sebastian has an amazing record as an NCHSAA official, including over 40 years in basketball and baseball and over 20 years in volleyball and softball. He has been an NCHSAA baseball booking agent for over 30 years and has officiated multiple state championships in baseball and basketball. In addition, he has been an Atlantic Coast Conference umpire 40 years and has worked the ACC tournament 16 times. He has also been an umpire in the NCAA Division I baseball regionals 13 times, the super regional on five occasions and once in the College World Series.

“These three are truly representative of excellence and leadership in officiating,” said Mark Dreibelbis, supervisor of officials for the NCHSAA. “We are extremely proud to make this presentation to these individuals who have demonstrated sacrifice and commitment.” ★

Awards For Schools Are Highlight Of Annual Meeting

CHAPEL HILL—Two major awards were presented to schools for the third year in a row at the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Annual Meeting at the Smith Center on the University of North Carolina campus.

Jack Britt High School of Fayetteville was named the third annual winner of the Exemplary School Award while Hendersonville High School earned the 2009 Sportsmanship Award.

The awards are given as a cooperative venture among the NCHSAA, the North Carolina Coaches Association and the North Carolina Athletic Directors Association. In addition to a trophy and a banner for display at the respective schools, each school received a \$1000 cash award.

The Exemplary School Award recognizes the top overall school in the state in terms of the "total program," including but not limited to athletic success, scope of athletic opportunities offered, facilities, community interest and involvement, academics and the like.

Jack Britt has been recognized as a North Carolina School of Distinction or an Honor School of Excellence for each of the last seven years and has also won its conference Wachovia Cup in four of the last six years.

For several years every Britt team has qualified for postseason play and this year Britt teams have already earned five conference crowns. The school is on track to have all of its coaches complete the National Federation Fundamentals of Coaching Course and many of the school's student-athletes have been involved in one of the NCHSAA student services programs.

Britt was recognized in 2008 by US News and World Report as one of the "Best Schools in America" winner.

The sportsmanship honor is designed to recognize a school that has been ejection free, has a plan to promote and implement good sportsmanship, is welcoming to visiting fans, makes appropriate accommodations for officials and their own fans demonstrate good sportsmanship.

Hendersonville has made treating the visiting fans and teams a priority but also emphasizes a great tradition of 108 years with great community support.

Sportsmanship is emphasized at preseason meetings and by individual coaches. The entire Hendersonville coaching staff has completed the National Federation coaching education course and many of the school's varsity teams have completed the STAR Sportsmanship program offered through the NCHSAA.

In addition, Hendersonville has won more state Wachovia Cups (13) than any other school in NCHSAA history.

The process of selection for both the awards is a multi-tiered one, including nominations and feedback from schools to select finalists, and then the finalists submitted applications with specific information relative to their potential award.

Greenville's J.H. Rose won the inaugural Exemplary School award in 2007 while North Duplin was the Sportsmanship winner. Last year Watauga won the Exemplary School while Asheboro earned the Sportsmanship honor. ★

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her career, the fifth best mark all-time. Ali was chosen to play in the North Carolina-South Carolina all-star game in Myrtle Beach, where she won the three-point competition and set a new game assist record.

In softball, she was runner-up for the league player of the year award last year and will be a four-time all-conference, all-district and all-region selection. She is an outstanding shortstop who is also one of her team's top hitters. Ford has signed a basketball grant-in-aid with Elon University.

This is the 24th year in which awards have been given to the top overall male and female athletes. ★



Jack Britt Earns Exemplary Award

(NCHSAA photo by John Bell)



Sportsmanship Honor Goes to Hendersonville

(NCHSAA photo by John Bell)

The National High School Sports Record Book

The National High School Sports Record Book can be purchased from the National Federation of State High School Associations.

A number of North Carolinians are among the national record holders. More information is available at (317) 972-6900.

Fourth Annual Clary Medal Winners Named For North Carolina High School Athletic Association

CHAPEL HILL—Morgan Leigh Turner of Lincolnton High School and Michael Richard Bass of Fairmont High School have been named the recipients of the fourth annual Clary Medals awarded by the North Carolina High School Athletic Association.

The two outstanding student-athletes were recognized at the NCHSAA's Annual Meeting at the Dean E. Smith Center on the campus of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

The Clary Medal is made possible through the generosity of the Eddie and Jo Allison Smith Family Foundation through the NCHSAA Endowment. It annually recognizes an outstanding male and female student-athlete, who will each receive a \$2,000 scholarship to further his or her education at the college level.

To be eligible for the award, a student must be a senior at an NCHSAA member school, participate on at least two athletic teams, maintain at least a 3.2 cumulative grade point average on a 4.0 scale, and demonstrate excellence in athletic participation, extra-curricular activities and community service.

Turner participated in cross country and track for four years each while playing soccer and basketball for two seasons apiece. She was a four-time conference champion and conference Runner of the Year in cross country and finished sixth or better in the state championship meet all four years. In outdoor track, she is a two-time state champion in the 3200 and set school, county and conference records in the 800 and 1600 as well as the 3200.

She was elected Lincolnton's homecoming queen in the fall and is a member of the National Honor Society. She has also worked with Special Olympics and has participated in week-long church mission trips with World Changers every summer since she was in the sixth grade. Turner will be attending Western Carolina University in the fall.

Bass has participated in four years of football, basketball, baseball and track and this year even found time to compete on the bowling team. He earned all-Southeastern Conference honors as a quarterback and defensive back as a junior and senior, was captain of the basketball team as a point guard and was the league Player of the Year in baseball as a shortstop and pitcher in 2008. He is also the defending conference champion in the 800 meters.

Ranked first in the senior class at Fairmont, he was voted the Outstanding Senior by the Fairmont faculty. Bass has also been active in Boy Scouts and mission projects through his church, Fairmont First Baptist. He plans to continue his athletic career playing baseball at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington.

The award is in memory of Wilburn Columbus Clary, a member of the NCHSAA Hall of Fame who was an outstanding coach and game official. He served as the executive secretary of the old Western North Carolina High School Activities Association from 1948 through 1977, when its schools joined the NCHSAA. Clary was also the first collegiate football official to be inducted into the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame.

"Both are exemplary citizens and student-athletes," said Charlie



The fourth annual winners of this award were highlighted at the NCHSAA Annual Meeting. Morgan Leigh Turner of Lincolnton (left) and Michael Bass of Fairmont (right) earned the honor and scholarships worth \$2,000 each. Chris Smith, the grandson of the late Wilburn C. Clary, for whom the program is named, representing the Eddie and Jo Allison Clary Foundation, made the presentations.

(NCHSAA photo by John Bell)

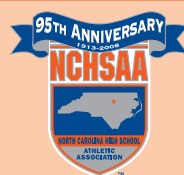
Adams, executive director of the NCHSAA. "They are outstanding selections for the Clary Medals, which we believe is becoming one of the top awards the NCHSAA can present to a student."

The inaugural winners of the award were Nicole Harris of North Wilkes and Brad Hardee of South Caldwell in 2006, and the 2007 winners included Lauren White of North Mecklenburg and Colby Meador of Rockingham County. Last year's winners were Susie Wear of Salisbury and Greg Moye of Pamlico County. ★

Check out the North Carolina High School Athletic Association's web site

www.nchsaa.org

for all sorts of important information, including updated regional assignments and locations in several sports and the latest brackets.



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

SouthWest Edgecombe Coach Sandra Langley, Goldsboro Athlete Williams Win Pat Gainey Awards

CHAPEL HILL—The North Carolina High School Athletic Association announced today the winners of two special awards established in the name of the late Pat Gainey, long-time coach who was inducted into the NCHSAA Hall of Fame in 2007.

Head women's basketball coach Sandra Langley of SouthWest Edgecombe High School and Goldsboro High School student Victoria Williams have been named this year's winners of the Gainey Awards.

The awards were presented at the NCHSAA Annual Meeting at the Smith Center.

The Pat Gainey Coach Award recognizes excellence in character, achievement and coaching. It is designed to go to a varsity coach at an NCHSAA school who provides great leadership, who shows interest in his or her athletes on and off the field or court, is recognized as scrupulously honest, and has strongly supported an anti-drug and alcohol policy. The coaches' award is available for nominations from all NCHSAA member schools.

Langley has 35 years experience as a head coach, primarily in women's basketball but she has also coached softball, volleyball and women's track. A graduate of Atlantic Christian College (now Barton), she has coached women's basketball at SouthWest since 1978 and has been athletic director since 1991, compiling a brilliant career mark of 653-214 as a head basketball coach. Her basketball teams have made eight appearances in the state championship game and earned four NCHSAA state crowns, in 1981, '82, '96 and 2005.

A long-time advisor to the Fellowship of Christian Athletes huddle at her school, Langley has never had a player or assistant coach ejected in all her years at SouthWest. She has her players sign a contract related to team rules and anti-drug and alcohol policies before they agree to play.

The Student Scholarship Award is available to NCHSAA member schools in counties having a poverty rate of 20 percent or more for children 17 and under. Student scholarship recipients alternate annually between a female athlete and a male baseball player meeting the established criteria.

Williams, a senior who intends to enroll at Winston-Salem State University to major in physical therapy, has played volleyball, basketball, softball and participated in track during her career at Goldsboro. She captained the women's basketball team during the 2008-09 season and also qualified for regional track competition in three events.

She has been an excellent student at Goldsboro with a weighted GPA of better than 4.00 and is a member of Goldsboro's Alcohol and Drug Buster Club.

The awards are made possible by a gift from Gainey's daughter, Mrs. Berry Jo Gainey Shoen, who currently resides in Port Townsend, Washington.

A native of Dunn, Gainey recorded a phenomenal record in women's basketball at a couple of different stops during his coaching career and was a real supporter of women's athletics. His overall record at Pamlico was an incredible 93-6 in women's basketball and he also fielded outstanding baseball teams there. He then moved to Taylorsville, where he coached from 1955-64. His women's basketball teams won five Western North Carolina High School Activities Association titles and at one point recorded 54 consecutive wins and a whopping 140 straight conference victories. His overall women's basketball mark was 358-57.

"We are really excited about both of these awards and believe these are great additions to the legacy of Pat Gainey," said NCHSAA executive director Charlie Adams. "The recipients certainly embody many of the wonderful characteristics that made Pat so successful." ★



The winners of the Gainey Awards were recognized at the NCHSAA Annual Meeting, including one coach and one student-athlete. In left photo, SouthWest Edgecombe women's basketball coach and athletic director Sandra Langley (center) receives Pat Gainey Coach Award from executive director Charlie Adams (left) and NCHSAA director of development Karen DeHart. In right photo, Victoria Williams of Goldsboro (center) receives Gainey Student Scholarship. (NCHSAA photo by John Bell)

State Award Winners Honored At 2009 Annual Meeting

CHAPEL HILL—Coaches, administrators and media representatives were among those receiving awards when the North Carolina High School Athletic Association held its 2009 Annual Meeting.

The event was held for the Dean E. Smith Center on the campus of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, the day after the spring meeting of the NCHSAA's Board of Directors has concluded.

The Association annually presents these state-wide 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 2009 included:

- Doris Howard Female Coach of the Year: Darlene Joyner of Northwest Guilford graduated from Guilford College after attending Northwest Guilford. A two-sport standout in volleyball and basketball at Guilford, where she is in the Guilford Sports Hall of Fame, she has been a very successful head coach in volleyball, softball, cross country and women's basketball coach at her high school alma mater. Her teams have earned conference crowns in several different sports and her slow-pitch softball team won a state championship in 1996.

- Harvey Reid Male Coach of the Year: Earl Smith of Wake Forest-Rolesville has been one of the state's top head football coaches during several stops in 32 years as a head coach, most recently from 2004 through '08 at Wake Forest-Rolesville, where his team won three straight conference titles. Prior to that he had been at Wilmington New Hanover and Raleigh Millbrook. On 11 occasions he earned conference coach of the Year honors and was selected as a head coach in the North Carolina Coaches Association East-West football game and an assistant in 1995 on the North Carolina Shrine Bowl staff.

- Dave Harris Athletic Director of the Year: Roy Turner of Wilmington's Ashley High School took over as athletic director at the Wilmington school in 2006 after eight years at Southeast Guilford. Prior to that he served at Greensboro Dudley as both athletic director and head baseball coach. He is a past president of the North Carolina Athletic Directors Association and has also been a high school and collegiate basketball game official.



State Winners Display Awards at Annual Meeting.

(NCHSAA photo by John Bell)

- Bob Deaton Principal of the Year: Brooks Matthews of Triton is currently a member of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors. He has a great background including a stint as an athletic director as well as a principal. A Harnett County native and Campbell University graduate, Brooks has received several principal of the year honors.

- Bob McRae Superintendent of the Year: Tony Parker of Johnston County retired from service in North Carolina during a time where Tony was serving as an outstanding member of the NCHSAA Board of Directors. He has formerly been superintendent of Beaufort County schools and the Whiteville city schools, and prior to that served as principal at South View and Lumberton High Schools. Tony was a coach long before he became a noted school administrator. He coached football, basketball, wrestling, track and field and baseball at Massey Hill and Fayetteville Terry Sanford. He is currently superintendent of the Berkeley County schools in South Carolina.

- Tim Stevens Media Representative of the Year: Kevin Connolly of WGHP-TV in High Point has done a terrific job covering high school athletics across the state, after beginning his broadcasting career at FOX8 in 1986. He is currently sports anchor and reporter for the station's news at 5 p.m., 6 p.m. and 10 p.m. He helped start the popular FOX8 Prep Profile segment which highlights area high school athletes for their accomplishments on the field or court as well as in the classroom.

- Elton Hawley Athletic Trainer of the Year: Lynn Bundy of Edenton Holmes has been very involved in high school athletics from the sports medicine perspective. She served as athletic trainer at Holmes for some 23 years before her

retirement in 2008. She has been on the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Athletic Trainers Association and also has served as an athletic trainer for the Shrine Bowl.

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 the former 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. He was the initial inductee into the North Carolina Athletic Trainer Association Hall of Fame. ★

In Memorium

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

CHARLIE GREGORY

ARCHDALE—Veteran coach Charlie Gregory passed away in late April after a brief illness at the age of 77.

He compiled an impressive coaching record in a number of sports at Randleman High School and is probably best known for developing Randleman into a football powerhouse.

Born in High Point, Gregory coached football at Randleman for 28 years, winning over 200 games, and earned three consecutive NCHSAA state 2-A football titles, from 1981 through '83. He served as Randleman's athletic director for 18 years but also coached basketball, track and golf during his stint there.

He coached in the North Carolina Coaches' Association East-West football all-star game in 1974 and the Randleman High football stadium is named in his honor.

A graduate of High Point College, Gregory was a three-sport star at Trinity High School and played on the 1949 state basketball championship team. He was also a charter member of the Randleman Civitan Club.

He was inducted into the NCHSAA Hall of Fame during the 2006-07 academic year.

DON HIPPS

CHARLOTTE—Former high school head football coach Donald Hipps died in late March at the age of 86.

Born in Canton, Hipps went to Wake Forest University and Peabody College, now known as Vanderbilt University. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy before starting his career as a teacher and coach.

Hipps taught at Garinger High School in

Charlotte and at East Mecklenburg and was a successful coach in both wrestling and football during his career. His 1977 East Mecklenburg football team posted a 13-1 record on its way to an NCHSAA state 4-A championship.

Hipps was preceded in death in May of 2008 by his wife, Martha, and also seven brothers and sisters.

BOBBY RAINEY

ROCKINGHAM—Long-time coach Bobby Rainey died at the end of March at the age of 71.

Rainey was an outstanding athlete at the old Altamahaw-Ossipee High School in Alamance County and then graduated from East Carolina University.

He retired in 1998 after 38 years of teaching including stints at Western Alamance, Southern Alamance, Gibsonville in Guilford County and Richmond Senior. Throughout his teaching career he coached football, basketball, and baseball coach.

At Richmond he is remembered for his long-time service as an assistant coach for the football team from 1972-1990. He also was the assistant for the Richmond baseball program from 1972-1980, and followed as the head coach from 1981-1993. During this time he amassed a 259-67 record and nine conference championships and a 1983 NCHSAA state 4-A baseball title.

When Bobby retired from teaching he continued his involvement in sports as a game official at both the middle school and high school levels. In 1999 he was selected as an official for the Shrine Bowl football game.

PAUL JONES

KINSTON—Paul Jones, one of the most successful high school coaches in NCHSAA history, died in mid-April at his son's home in Fayetteville at the age of 76 after a lengthy illness.

Jones, winning teams and Kinston became synonymous during his stellar career.

Born in Thomasville and a 1955 graduate of East Carolina, Jones coached men's basketball from 1957 through 1995 at Grainger and Kinston High Schools, rolling up 662 victories against 274 defeats, putting him among the top five coaches all-time in North Carolina prep history.

That 38-season stint included 18 conference championships, two NCHSAA state titles and four state runner-up finishes. Some 42 of his players went on to play college basketball, including three in the NBA, including such notables as Jerry Stackhouse, Charles Shackleford and Cedrick "Cornbread" Maxwell.

Jones also coached baseball for 15 years, compiling a 184-88 mark and winning six league titles to go with a state championship in that sport.

Jones did coach at Greene Central and Ayden-Grifton, primarily as an assistant, after leaving Kinston.

He was a member of the first Board of Directors of the North Carolina Athletic Directors Association and also served on the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Coaches Association.

He was inducted into the NCHSAA Hall of Fame in 1999.

North Carolina Teams Roll To Victory In Carolinas All-Star Classic

MYRTLE BEACH, SC—The North Carolina all-star basketball teams rolled to a pair of easy victories over their counterparts from South Carolina in the 2009 Carolinas All-Star Class at Socastee High School.

In the women's game, North Carolina scored a record 111 points as the Tar Heel team crushed South Carolina 111-77, and then the North Carolina men broke the century barrier en route to a 106-82 triumph over South Carolina.

Asia Williams of Durham Hillside was one of six Tar Heel women in double figures as she led the winners with 19 points. Nikki Burton of West Charlotte added 16 while South View's Jazmine Cooper added 15 points to go with 11 rebounds.

Lakevia Boykin of Southeast Raleigh tallied 14 points and Wakefield's Kelsey Evans pulled down a team high 12 rebounds to go with 10 points.

Ali Ford of Morganton Freedom handed out a Carolinas Classic record seven assists.

North Carolina's women had an 8-7 lead before reeling off 18 unanswered points to open up a commanding 26-7 advantage and led by as many

as 36 points in the second half.

Courtney Mealing of South Carolina led all scorers with 21 points.

In the men's game, North Carolina opened a double digit advantage less than five minutes into the contest and led by as many as 21 points in the opening half to roll to the win.

Earnest Ross of Panther Creek led six North Carolina players in double figures with 16 points and 10 rebounds. Athens Drive's Josh Davis added 15 points and grabbed 10 rebounds, while Middle Creek's Tom Tannelewick chipped in with 14 points. Brandyn Curry of Hopewell and Garrius Adams of Middle Creek added 12 points each, while C.J. Harris of NCHSAA state 4-A champion Mount Tabor scored 10 points.

Robbie Dreher led South Carolina with 23 points.

Tony Denning of Douglas Byrd was head coach of the North Carolina women's all-stars, assisted by Cissy Dyer of Murphy. Reggie Peace of Lee Senior was the North Carolina men's head coach and John Harder of Morehead was the assistant. ★

NCHSAA Rules And Regulations Of Bygone Era Interesting

As part of the celebration of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association's 95th anniversary, perhaps we are a little more aware of the history of the organization.

We thought readers of the Bulletin might enjoy seeing some of the rules and regulations from many years ago that member schools had to meet. In some ways it is amazing at how things have changed. Some of these include tournament regulations, classification criteria and even some things like "secret contracts" that might have been signed by high school athletes.

Or did you know that net yardage or "penetrations" could decide the outcome of a football playoff game in the pre-overtime era?

Enjoy!

1946

* 32nd Annual Basketball Tournament

Rule 17: Length of Conference Games: The official length of each conference game shall be 4 quarters of 8 minutes each; but if the responsible parties of any two high schools meeting in a conference game, shall agree to a shortening of one or more quarters herein announced, provided that, before the game shall begin, the agreed length of quarters shall be made known to the referee and the official timekeeper.

* Secret Contract

If an approved player (or players) shall have secretly signed a contract to engage in professional sport, and if neither the principal nor the coach involved knew that such contract(s) had been signed, any game or games in which such a player (or players) may since have taken part shall be dropped from consideration in the calculation of percentages, but the remaining members of the team may complete the schedule without further penalty.

1948-49

* The high schools are divided into three classes: B, A, and AA.

Class B.....Total enrollment 0-224

Class A.....Total enrollment 225-1049

Class AA...Total enrollment 1050, or more.

* 4-e An honorably-discharged veteran may resume his athletic status as of: The day he withdrew from school to enter military service.

1954-55

* Regulations for the State Tournament

2. Each team will be allowed .75c for each person for breakfast, \$1.00 for lunch, and \$1.25 for dinner. Meals and hotel allowances will begin at noon on the day of the start of the tournament.

(Exception: Teams which travel over 125 miles may report the night before the beginning of the tournament)

1968-69

* Football Semi-Final Games

(5) Yardage Keeper— ...In case of a tie in score, the game will be determined by the net yardage from scrimmage. In case of a tie in net yardage, the team getting the most first downs will be the winner; however, if first downs also are tied, the team making the most penetrations will advance to the championship final play-off.

* Wrestling-Weight Regulation

Each wrestler is required to get a doctor's recommendation, prior to the first meet, as to the lowest weight in which he shall wrestle for that season. The physician's weigh recommendation shall be accepted as the lowest weight in which the individual may wrestle for that season. Also, each school is required to keep on file a record of the doctor's recommendation.

* Football-Admission to games

Prices as set by the Board of Control are; for students, pre-game sale is \$1.00, at stadium \$1.50, adults \$2.00. ★

NCHSAA Coach-Captain Retreat Attracts Students From Across State

RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK—The North Carolina High School Athletic Association recently held its spring 2009 Coach-Captain Retreat, the 29th in the history of this program.

The event, part of the Association's Student Services program, was held at the Radisson Governors Inn 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 assistant executive director Mark Dreibelbis and student services assistant Chiquana Dancy.

"Student Services is the 'value-added' division of the NCHSAA," said Dreibelbis. "The Coach/Captain Retreat emphasizes the responsibility of student-athletes to take their leadership skills and implement programs promoting positive life skills and total development through athletics to both their school and community. Having the opportunity to develop these initiatives and assist in their implementation is what Student Services is all about. Our programs make a difference and create winners for life."

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, retired teacher/coach at Williamston High and former safe and drug free schools coordinator for the Martin County Schools; Teresa Coleman, former coach and athletic director at West Bladen High School; Faye Corbin, teacher and coach at Hope Mills South View High School; Susan Cox,

former athletic director at Perquimans High School; and Coleman Bailey, a teacher-coach at Greenville's D.H. Conley.

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 could be bulletin boards in the school, public service announcements for the school intercom, a community service project, a special newsletter for student-athletes or other school/community ideas generated by the team itself.

In addition to the staff, there were 75 participants in the retreat, with a total of 51 student-athletes and 23 adults attending. The adult total included 17 coaches or administrators, representing a total of 12 different schools, and seven parents of athletes.

Teams at the retreat represented the following schools:

Douglas Byrd, D.H. Conley, East Carteret, East Lincoln, North Edgecombe, Northampton-East, Perquimans, South Brunswick, South Johnston, Southern Guilford, Purnell Swett and Triton. ★

Heritage Biographies

As part of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association's celebration of its 95th anniversary, we thought it would be appropriate to highlight just a few of the people who have been instrumental in the history of the NCHSAA.

We have featured a handful of prominent figures in each edition of the Bulletin during this school year. The list is by no means completely exhaustive but all of these people have made significant contributions to the organization over the years.

DONALD BONNER

Donald Bonner's career has included involvement in athletics from a number of different perspectives and positions.

A native of Robeson County and a 1955 graduate of North Carolina College, Bonner began his teaching and coaching career at two high schools in South Carolina, sandwiched around a stint in the U.S. Army Medical Corps. His duties included coaching football, basketball, baseball and track.

He returned to his native state in 1961 and was a teacher and coach at Leach Street High in Rockingham, coaching both men's basketball and baseball, and then was involved with women's basketball and baseball in Maxton for five years and at Rowland High School for four.

In 1972 he became principal of Rowland's Southside Middle School, and then in '77 was elevated to the central office, where he wound up serving as associate superintendent of the Public Schools of Robeson County.

Bonner is a former member of the NCHSAA's Board of Directors and served as president of the organization in 1983-84. He joined the NCHSAA Hall of Fame in 1993.

WAYNE DOLL

Wayne Doll has utilized his excellent athletic background in his role as an administrator throughout his career.

He began his career in education in the early 1970's as a teacher, assistant football and assistant baseball coach at Fike High School in Wilson where he was involved with such notables as Bob Paroli, Dick Knox, Gilbert Ferrell and Dudley Whitley.

That helped prepare Wayne for over two decades as a school principal at both the middle and high school level. He worked in the central office of the Nash-Rocky Mount schools for several years as executive director for middle and secondary education, including the role as city-county athletic director.

He has also been very involved in the North Carolina Athletic Directors Association. He often has filled in wherever he has been needed in his school, such as serving as principal of Rocky Mount Senior High earlier in this decade.

BILL FREEMAN

Bill Freeman has had an outstanding career in officiating with a long record serving the North Carolina High School Athletic Association as a booking agent.

He has been the booking agent for the Metrolina Athletic Officials Association since 1975 and has booked officials in football, basketball, soccer, volleyball, baseball and softball. His officiating career actually began back in 1952 when he began officiating while in the Air Force in Germany.

Bill arrived in Charlotte in 1955 and worked in the North State Association in football for Tony Simeon and Reid Staton and then began his booking agent career assigning officials for Union County and middle schools in 1957.

Bill also worked football, basketball and baseball for Russ Bergmann some 15 years while in Charlotte. He officiated in the Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas in 1972.

Freeman has been active at the collegiate level, serving as the supervisor for the Carolinas-Virginia Athletic Conference (CVAC) for 22 years. He retired from his regular, full-time employment with General Motors after 32 years in 1987.

PAT HARRELL

Pat Harrell has had a distinguished career in education, primarily as an outstanding administrator in a number of different school systems.

A 1961 graduate of East Carolina University, Harrell was a teacher and coach at the high school level before moving into administration. Among his tenures as a superintendent were from 1976-88 as head of the Perquimans County Schools and from 1988-93 in Dare County. He also assisted several systems as an interim superintendent, including Lee, Scotland and Nash-Rocky Mount.

Harrell served a term on the Board of Directors of the NCHSAA and served two terms as president, from 1988-90. He has received a number of honors from the NCHSAA for his involvement in athletics on a statewide level, and he also has been vitally involved in church and civic affairs.

He received the Order of the Long Leaf Pine Award for service to the state from Governor James B. Hunt and was inducted into the NCHSAA Hall of Fame in 2003.

LARRY IVEY

Larry Ivey is a former superintendent at Bertie and Montgomery Counties who was also very involved with the NCHSAA.

A graduate of East Carolina University, he began his career in education as a high school teacher in Virginia. He went on to spend 18 years with the Bertie County schools in a variety of capacities, including eight as superintendent and then 10 years with the Montgomery County schools as superintendent from 1981 to '91.

Ivey served a term on the NCHSAA Board of Directors and was president of Association in 1990-91. He had also chaired a couple of very significant committees and study groups for the Association.

Larry also worked as the director of the regional center in Wilkesboro for the state Department of Public Instruction for several years.

In 2004, he received the Order of the Long Leaf Pine Award for service to the state from Governor Mike Easley.

DONNA NORMAN

Donna Norman compiled an incredible record as a three-sport coach during her career at South Stokes High School.

A graduate of Starmount High School and 1976 graduate of UNC-Greensboro, Norman's teams were outstanding in volleyball, basketball and softball, although she is probably best known for her softball achievements. Her teams compiled a brilliant 369-109 mark in that sport, from 1977 through '98. The Sauras won a state crown in '86, finished third in '97 and were runners-up in '98. Her head coaching mark in basketball was 135-61 and her volleyball teams posted a 66-28 slate during the time she coached that sport.

A former member of the NCHSAA Board of Directors, Norman has also been volleyball official and worked the 1989 state championships. She served for several years on an NCHSAA regional scholarship committee.

Donna was a 1999 inductee into the NCHSAA Hall of Fame. ★

Robeson County School's Chavis Honored As National AD Of Year

TAMPA, FL—Ronnie Chavis of Robeson County has been honored as the National Athletic Director of the Year by the National Association for Sport and Physical Education (NASPE).

The award came during the organization's recent national convention in Tampa, Florida. Chavis, who has served as director of athletics, driver education, health, and physical education for the Public Schools of Robeson County for over 17 years, was vying with five other district winners from around the country for the National Athletic Director of the Year Award after winning the award for the Southern Region of the United States. The Southern District represents 12 states from Virginia to Florida and the District of Columbia.

Begun over 34 years ago, the purpose of the program is to give recognition to athletic administrators around the country who exemplify the highest standards of their profession. The award plaques are provided by Herff-Jones.

According to NASPE President Fran Cleland of West Chester University of Pennsylvania, "By making a significant impact on the lives of students, Ronnie Chavis has made an outstanding contribution to his school and community. He is also recognized as an administrator of an exemplary athletic program and educator who keeps athletics an integral part of the total education program."

Public Schools of Robeson County Superintendent Dr. Johnny Hunt, said, "Mr. Chavis has demonstrated time and again that he is an exceptional communicator and gifted teacher and coach. The perfect model for a school system athletic director, he is a highly dedicated professional who knows how to motivate his coaches and student athletes to strive for excellence."

Among his many accomplishments, with a Carol M. White Physical Education Grant he purchased each of the seven high schools in his district a fitness center that included new conditioning and physical education equipment. All 35 elementary and middle schools in the district received physical education supplies and equipment as well as special software. He worked with the Public Schools of Robeson County Board of Education to fund a lighting project that provided lights for all the baseball, softball, and two football fields. In addition, Chavis established the Robeson County Coaches

Golf Tournament, which has raised over \$15,000 to assist coaches and athletes that have experienced hardships.

Among his most recent professional awards, he has received the NCHSAA Distinguished Service Award, the North Carolina Athletic Director of the Year; the National Federation High School Citation and the NIAAA State Award of Merit.

Ronnie has previously served as the president of the North Carolina Athletic Directors Association and served a term on the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Board of Directors. Chavis received his undergraduate and graduate degrees from the University of North Carolina-Pembroke and another graduate degree from Campbell University.

Don Patrick of Newton-Conover is a previous national award winner in 2003 and there have been six North Carolina athletic directors who have earned the Southern District honor since 1998.

The National Association for Sport and Physical Education (NASPE) is a non-profit professional membership association that sets the standard for practice in physical education and sport. NASPE's 16,000 members include: K-12 physical education teachers, coaches, athletic directors, athletic trainers, sport management professionals, researchers, and college/university faculty who prepare physical activity professionals. NASPE seeks to enhance knowledge, improve professional practice, and increase support for high-quality physical education, sport and physical activity programs through research, development of standards, and dissemination of information. It is the largest of the five national associations that make up the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation & Dance (AAHPERD). ★

HANDBOOKS AND DIRECTORIES

Don't forget to order these important publications for your school or school system for the 2009-10 academic year. The order form is on the web site.



Nationwide Insurance makes Donation to NCHSAA

Darryl Himes (left) of Nationwide Insurance presents a check to NCHSAA executive director Charlie Adams during festivities at the NCHSAA state basketball championships at the Dean Smith Center. Nationwide and the NCHSAA team up for the "Buckle Up for Safety" campaign throughout the year the company made a \$40,000 donation to the Association

(NCHSAA photo by John Bell)

NCHSAA Executive Director Announces Retirement Plans

NCHSAA photos by John Bell

CHAPEL HILL—Charlie Adams, executive director of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association since 1984, has announced his plans to retire January 31, 2010.

Adams has been on the NCHSAA staff since 1967 and is one of the longest-tenured executive directors in association work in the country, taking over that role in 1984. Part of this year's Annual Meeting was a retirement celebration in his honor.

Adams noted, "My wife Sue and I feel that this is a good time to retire and in closing out our career we feel extremely fortunate to have had the opportunity to serve the Association all

these years. My best memories will be of our staff, the outstanding leadership from our officers, the strong and productive Board of Directors, our member schools and the many friendships we have made during this period of time. Most importantly, however, has been the opportunity to give our student athletes a 'memory forever'.

"The best testimony I can leave regarding the NCHSAA is that if I could, I would do it all over again."

A native of Cary, where he was a great high school athlete, Adams is only the fifth executive director in the 95-year history of the NCHSAA.

Adams earned his undergraduate and his

master's degree at East Carolina University, where he was an outstanding basketball player. Following his graduation from ECU, he coached and taught in Laurel, Delaware, before returning to Wake County.

He compiled a brilliant record as a coach at Cary High School and then was assistant principal, dean of men and athletic director at Garner High before joining the NCHSAA.

He is a 1991 inductee into the East Carolina University Sports Hall of Fame and a charter member of the Cary High School Athletic Hall of Fame. He is also a member of the North Carolina Athletic Directors Hall of Fame, the North Carolina Sports Hall of Fame and the National High School Sports Hall of Fame. He was inducted into the NCHSAA Hall of Fame in April.

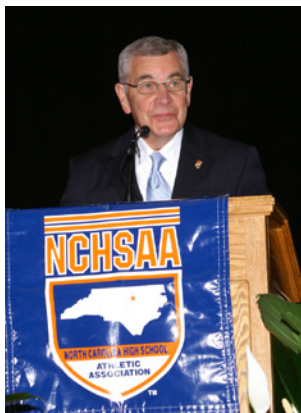
Adams is also the only North Carolinian ever to serve as president of the National Federation of State High School Associations.

Adams explained that he and his wife had really made this decision months earlier, as they discussed over Christmas. "The recent tragedy with the untimely death of our son Scott did not factor in to the decision at all," he said, "since we had already made the decision."

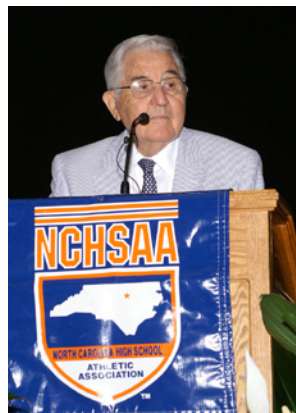
Dr. Bill Harrison, superintendent of the Cumberland County schools and current president of the NCHSAA, said, "Charlie is one of a kind, a consummate professional. The NCHSAA is what it is, a first-class organization and the best association in the nation, because of Charlie Adams. We deeply appreciate the years he has devoted to the students of this state." ★



Atlantic Coast Conference commissioner John Swofford, a member of the NCHSAA Hall of Fame, comments on Charlie's retirement.



Bob Kanaby, executive director of National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS), speaks.



UNC president emeritus Dr. Bill Friday has known Charlie Adams for many years.



Hugs are exchanged onstage among speakers and Charlie and Sue Adams.



Members of the Adams family were in attendance.

Handling Athletic Catastrophic Events Topic At Conference

By David Ball

Athletic Director, Clyde Erwin High School

One of the most memorable sessions of the 2009 North Carolina Athletic Directors Association Conference in Wilmington was the session on handling athletic catastrophic events.

Scott Braswell, football coach at Hoggard High School, hosted the session. The session consisted of a panel discussion featuring Jim Spivey, Athletic Director at R.J. Reynolds High School; Tim White, Athletic Director at East Forsyth; and by video Rusty Lee, Athletic Director of Page High School.

Jim Spivey started the panel discussion by reviewing the events that occurred on the evening of August 22nd during the R.J. Reynolds vs. Page football game. During this game, a player from R.J. Reynolds was critically injured and subsequently died on Saturday. The players, families, coaches and athletic administrators of three schools joined together to grieve, show support, show compassion, and make decisions for the next week and the rest of the season.

R.J. Reynolds and Page High Schools were the two schools directly involved. East Forsyth was the next opponent on the schedule of R.J. Reynolds. Together, these three schools dealt with this catastrophic event with compassion and love, showing support for the grieving family and community of the R.J. Reynolds team.

Tim White was the second member of the

panel to talk. His school's head coach and team became aware of the critical situation with the player from R.J. Reynolds as they returned from their game at Rocky Mount. Instead of the conversation between the two schools focusing on film exchange, it now focused on how the East Forsyth coaches and team could support the coaches and team of R.J. Reynolds. East Forsyth's head coach Todd Willert went to be with the coaching staff and team of R.J. Reynolds on Saturday morning as they held a walk of prayer on the football field.

On Sunday, Coach Willert went to a press conference with Coach Mike Propst of R.J. Reynolds. The coaching staff of East Forsyth decided that if R.J. Reynolds did not practice on any days during the week, then they would not practice either. Thus both teams did not practice on Monday and Wednesday. On Wednesday, both teams attended the funeral in team jerseys. Both teams stood together outside the church as the service concluded. After the funeral service, the coaching staffs of both schools met together and talked. On Friday night the game was played as scheduled. Before the game, the players gathered in the end zone and hugged and prayed together. After the game, both teams and coaching staffs were invited to Channel 12, Friday Football Fever. On this broadcast, coaches spoke of the events of

the week and the friendship they shared.

Rusty Lee was the third member of the panel and his presentation was presented by video. He emphasized that his school wanted to show compassion and sympathy to the family of the R.J. Reynolds athlete.

The family of the R.J. Reynolds athlete wanted to meet with the player and family of the Page High School student who was involved in the contact on the play where their son was critically injured. This family was concerned about the athlete from Page and did not want this event to affect him for the rest of his life. The meeting occurred on Sunday was quite emotional as the father reached out to the player with love and concern.

Page also supported R.J. Reynolds during the next week. Page sent a group of coaches and players to the funeral on Wednesday. The Page High School Booster Club also sent a donation to R.J. Reynolds. Lee emphasized that there was no guideline to follow, no precedent to guide him during this catastrophic event. However, through it all Page wanted to express its sympathy and compassion.

The presentation of these three athletic directors portrayed a critical event that we all hope we never face. Yet from this tragedy, some of the best aspects of sport were illustrated. The actions of the athletic directors, coaches and players of the three schools were exemplary and reflected the best of high school athletics. As this presentation was being made, the Cape Fear ballroom at the Wilmington Hilton was extremely quiet and emotional as everyone present listened carefully. Each one there knew that this discussion reflected an event that could occur anywhere in North Carolina. ★

Former Coach Bill Dooley Receives Grid Award From Triangle Chapter

CHAPEL HILL—Former collegiate head football coach Bill Dooley has received a prestigious honor.

The Triangle Chapter of North Carolina of the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame named Dooley winner of the Outstanding Contribution to Amateur Football award.

The presentation was made at the chapter's 14th annual awards dinner, held this year at Cameron Indoor Stadium on the campus of Duke University. Dooley is the former head football coach at the University of North Carolina, Wake Forest and Virginia Tech.

General Hugh Shelton, a native of Tarboro, received the Distinguished American Award.

In addition, a total of 18 high school football scholar-athletes were recognized from the Triangle area and received scholarships donated from various sources.

Those honorees from NCHSAA member

schools included Steven Kotnik of Athens Drive, Matthew Barnes of Broughton, Matthew Wilson of Cary, Austin Gregory of Cedar Ridge, Keegan Ray of Chapel Hill, Juan Rodriguez of East Wake, Brandon Young of Enloe, Christian Neikens of Fuquay-Varina, Christian Anthony Leach of Garner Magnet, Mack Lloyd of Green Hope, Luis Glean II of Jordan, Zach Gentry of Leesville Road, Brooks Gross of Middle Creek, Glen Kalbaugh of Millbrook, Gray Mazzone of Panther Creek, Tripp Walker of Riverside, William Brown of Sanderson and Jacob Ryan Kahut of Wake Forest-Rolesville.

Founded in 1947, the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame is dedicated to mobilizing the constructive forces of amateur football, at all levels, for the benefit of society as a whole, helping bring together all of the organized groups that play, coach, administer, support and report amateur football. ★

RECORD BREAKERS?

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

More From the NCHSAA Annual Meeting

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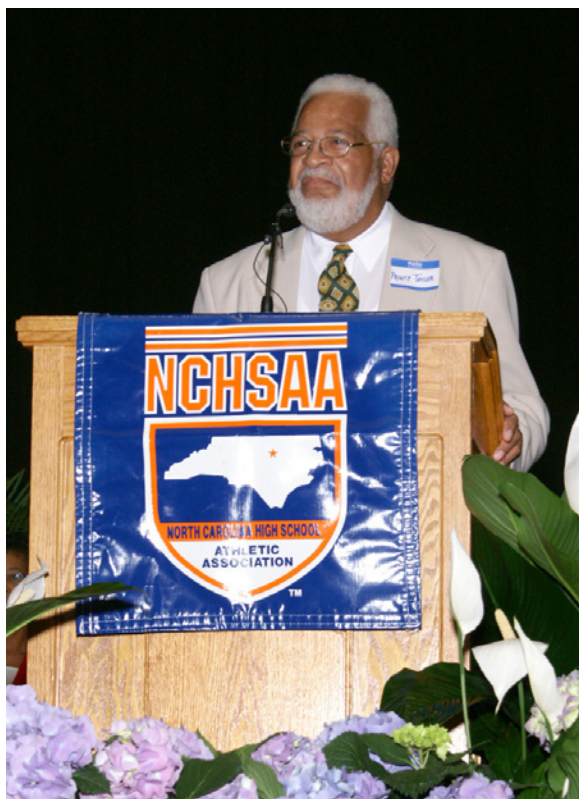
Dr. Mitch Simpson of University Baptist Church shared thoughts to start the Annual Meeting.



Charlie Adams accepts WRAL-TV Extra Effort Award from former sports anchor Tom Suiter for his work over the years with the NCHSAA.



Charlie and Sue at the end of the festivities.



Prince Taylor of Chapel Hill provided great musical entertainment.

2009-2010 NCHSAA STATE CLINICS

FOOTBALL

7/27/09	Southwestern Community College 6:30pm Southwestern	8/4/09	Rockingham County High School 7pm Rockingham Co.	1/24/10	Mid-State Smoky Mountain High School 2pm Mountain West
7/28/09	AB Tech - Asheville (Ferguson Auditorum) 6:30pm WNCOA	8/10/09	Garner High School 6:30pm Triangle	1/24/10	Southern Nash High School 5pm Eastern Plains
7/29/09	East Burke High School 6:30pm North State	8/12/09	UNC Chapel Hill (Fetzer Gym 109) 7pm Western Triangle	1/25/10	Graham High School 6pm ALCO
7/30/09	T.W. Andrews High School 6:30pm North State	8/16/09	Mocksville Recreation Department 2pm Triad	1/28/10	Providence High School 6:30pm Metrolina
8/3/09	South View High School 6:30pm Southeastern	SOCCER		1/31/10	J.H. Rose High School 9am Down East
8/4/09	East Duplin High School 6:30pm Eastern	7/12/09	UNCG Sullivan Science Building 4pm Piedmont	1/31/10	Woodruff Center @ Forsyth Tech. CC 3:30pm Northwest
8/5/09	J.H. Rose High School 6:30pm Coastal Plains	7/18/09	Edenton Holmes High School 3pm Northeastern	1/31/10	Laney High School 4pm Cape Fear
8/10/09	Vance High School 6:30pm Metrolina	7/25/09	Wilke Community College 11am Blue Ridge	1/31/10	Garner High School 4:30pm Capital Area
8/11/09	Garner High School 6:30pm Triangle	7/26/09	Franklin Fire Dept. 2pm WNCOA	2/1/10	AB Tech Simpson Administration Building 6:30pm WNCOA
		7/26/09	Village Christian Academy 4pm Southeastern	2/8/10	Edgewood Baptist Church (Winston-Salem) 7:15pm Twin City
		7/27/09	Providence High School 6:30pm Metrolina		

BASKETBALL

10/7/09	T.W. Andrews High School 6:30pm Triad	7/27/09	AB Tech Simpson Administration Building 7pm WNCOA
10/12/09	Smoky Mountain High School 6:30pm Southwestern	8/1/09	Jacksonville High School (Library) 6pm Eastern
10/13/09	AB Tech - Asheville (Ferguson Auditorum) 6:30pm WNCOA	8/2/09	J.H. Rose High School 4pm Eastern Plains
10/14/09	East Burke High School 6:30pm Triad	8/3/09	Hillyer Memorial Christian Church (Raleigh) 7pm Triangle
10/19/09	South View High School 6:30pm Southeastern	8/16/09	Greensboro-High Point Airport Marriott 3pm Piedmont
10/20/09	East Duplin High School 6:30pm Eastern	2/7/10	Greensboro-High Point Airport Marriott 2pm Piedmont
10/21/09	J.H. Rose High School 6:30pm Northeastern	2/8/10	AB Tech Simpson Administration Building 7pm WNCOA
10/26/09	Vance High School 6:30pm Metrolina		
10/27/09	Garner High School 6:30pm Triangle		

VOLLEYBALL

7/18/09	White Oak High School 1pm Cape Fear	10/11/09	Ragsdale High School 2pm Piedmont
7/18/09	Edenton Holmes High School 2pm Northeastern	10/11/09	Kannapolis Middle School 3pm Central
7/19/09	Wilson County Agriculture Building 3pm Eastern NC	10/12/09	Haywood Co. School Conference Center 7pm Mountain
7/19/09	The Asheville School 4pm WNCOA	10/12/09	Parkland High School 7pm Piedmont
7/19/09	Elizabeth City Parks and Recreation 5pm Outer Banks	10/19/09	Douglas Byrd High School 6:30pm Southeastern
7/23/09	Pine Forest High School 5pm Southeastern	10/19/09	Chapel Hill High School 7pm Triangle
7/23/09	Newton-Conover High School 6pm Western Piedmont	10/24/09	Washington TBD Eastern
7/25/09	Heide Trask High School 1pm Coastal Plains	10/28/09	South Caldwell High School 7pm Northwest
7/27/09	Graham High School 7pm ALCO	BASEBALL	
7/27/09	Providence High School 7:30pm Metrolina	1/9/10	Cherryville American Legion 1pm Western Piedmont
8/2/09	Woodruff Center @ Forsyth Technical CC 5pm Northwest	1/10/10	Douglas Byrd High School 2pm Southeastern
8/2/09	Smoky Mountain High School 2pm Mountain West	1/13/10	Rochelle Middle School 6:30pm East Carolina
8/3/09	Granville Central High School 6pm Tri-County	1/17/10	Jacksonville Recreation Center 6pm Jacksonville
		1/23/10	Edenton Holmes High School 1pm Outer Banks
		1/24/10	Eastern Randolph High School

SOFTBALL

1/10/10	Douglas Byrd High School 4:30pm Southeastern
1/23/10	Edenton Holmes High School 11am Outer Banks
1/24/10	Northern Durham High School 2pm Durham
1/24/10	Eastern Randolph High School 3:30pm Mid-State
1/24/10	Smoky Mountain High School 3pm Mountain West
1/25/10	Graham High School 7pm ALCO
1/28/10	Providence High School 7:30pm Metrolina
1/31/10	J.H. Rose High School 10:15am Down East
1/31/10	Woodruff Center @ Forsyth Tech. CC 2pm Northwest
1/31/10	Garner High School 2pm Triangle
1/31/10	Laney High School 3pm Cape Fear
1/31/10	Newton-Conover High School 3pm Western Piedmont
2/1/10	AB Tech Simpson Administration Building 8pm WNCOA
2/6/10	White Oak High School 9am Jacksonville
2/7/10	Wilson County Agriculture Building 3pm Eastern NC
2/8/10	Edgewood Baptist Church (Winston-Salem) 6:30pm Twin City

TRACK

1/9/10	Ben L. Smith High School
1/14/10	Shuford Elementary - Conover 6pm
1/21/10	Southern Wayne High School (Cafeteria) 6pm

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Dates To Be Determined

Peoples, Trzaskoma Named Toby Webb Award Winners For NCHSAA

CHAPEL HILL—Vickie Peoples of Enloe High School in Raleigh and Norman Trzaskoma of Winston-Salem R.J. Reynolds High School are the recipients of the fourth annual Toby Webb Coach of the Year Award given by the North Carolina High School Athletic Association.

The two outstanding coaches were recognized at the NCHSAA's Annual Meeting at the Smith Center on the campus of the University of North Carolina.

The Webb Award is made possible through the generosity of gifts from individuals and companies through the NCHSAA Endowment and annually recognizes an outstanding male and female coach. To be eligible for the award, a coach must be nominated by school personnel at the NCHSAA member school where he or she coaches, to have coached for a minimum of 10 years, and have made major contributions to the success of high school athletics at the school, in the community and beyond.

Peoples has put together a stellar career as a teacher and one of the state's top swimming and diving coaches. She has coached the sport for both men and women at Enloe for 26 years and has amassed a tremendous record. Her men's team earned nine consecutive state championships at one stretch and her teams have won a combined 28 conference championships and 19 Eastern Regional crowns.

In addition, for years she has directed both regional and state championship swimming and diving meets for the NCHSAA and has earned a number of recognitions. The City of Raleigh designed May 1, 2007, as Enloe Swimming and Diving Day in her honor.

Trzaskoma is one of the state's top cross-country and track coaches, having served as a head coach for 38 years, with 36 of those at R.J. Reynolds. He has also coached indoor track for over 25 years. He guided teams to state championships in cross country, indoor and outdoor track in addition to serving as a meet director for a host of city, county, and invitational meets and also served as regional cross country meet director for 23 years.

The Reynolds coach has found time to teach Sunday school at his First Assembly of God Church for 38 years and has also worked with the Boy Scouts of America and a summer camp that is held for children in foster care.

The award is in honor of Toby Webb, a member of the NCHSAA Hall of Fame who was an outstanding coach as well as a principal and superintendent. He helped turn Albemarle into a football power and posted a brilliant 103-18-6 mark as a head coach there.



Recipients pose with Toby Webb and his son after receiving their awards at the NCHSAA Annual Meeting. From left are Tom Webb, son of Toby; coach Vickie Peoples of Enloe, Jim Spivey of R.J. Reynolds accepting for winner Norm Trzaskoma, who was away taking his team to a track meet; and Toby Webb.

(NCHSAA photo by John Bell)

CHAMPIONSHIP REVIEW



Men's Golf

Highland Tech's Bunner Takes Individual Honors, Topsail Is Team Champion In 1-A Men's Golf

SILER CITY—Greg Bunner of Gastonia Highland Tech had a two-under par 70 to capture the individual championship in the 12th annual North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 1-A men's golf championships at the Siler City Country Club.

The championship was held on a par-72, 6519-yard layout for the NCHSAA event.

Brunner carded a 141 for the tournament, eight shots better than Stanhope Johnson of Kernersville Bishop McGuinness. Topsail's David Donovan was third, nine strokes back.

Topsail, which was second last year to four-time champion East Surry, recorded a 624 to win the team title by 14 shots over Kernersville Bishop McGuinness. Misenheimer Gray Stone Day placed third and North Stokes fourth.

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2009 MEN'S 1-A GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS

Siler City Country Club, Siler City

FINAL TEAM STANDINGS

1. Hampstead Topsail	310-314-624
2. Kernersville Bishop McGuinness	325-317-638
3. Misenheimer Gray Stone Day	325-317-642
4. North Stokes	321-325-646
5. Gastonia Highland Tech	327-324-651
6. Polk County	336-346-682
7. Rosman	353-341-694
8. North Johnston	357-345-702
9. Williamston	366-352-718
10. Midway	369-353-722
11. Seven Springs Spring Creek	381-395-776

FINAL INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

1. Greg Bunner, Gastonia Highland Tech	71-70-141
2. Stanhope Johnson, Bishop McGuinness	75-74-149
3. David Donovan, Topsail	71-79-150
4. Ryan Wilson, North Stokes	75-76-151
5. Damon Goin, North Stokes	73-79-152
Erik Benson, Misenheimer Gray Stone Day	77-75-152

West Davidson's Clement Sets Record With 64, North Lincoln Captures 2-A Team Championship

SOUTHERN PINES—Justin Clement of West Davidson fired a brilliant seven-under par 64 to win the individual championship of the 24th annual North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 2-A men's golf championships at the Longleaf Golf and Country Club.

Clement, who was third after the opening round, blistered the back nine with a 30 and wound up with a 136 total. His round of 64 was the lowest ever shot in an NCHSAA championship and his 136 total was the second best all-time, behind a 134 shot by East Davidson's John Carter III in 1999 at Broken Arrow in Statesville.

Clement's score was seven shots better than North Lincoln's Miller Capps, who had rounds of 74 and 69 for a 143 total on Longleaf's par-71, 6,543-yard layout. Zach Lawing of North Lincoln and first-day leader Scott Novicki of South Lenoir tied for third at 146, 10 shots off the pace.

Led by Capps and Lawing, North Lincoln stormed to the team title by a whopping 18 shots with a team total of 600. Mayodan Dalton McMichael was second at 618 and South Lenoir placed third at 621.

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2009 MEN'S 2-A GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS

Longleaf Golf and Country Club, Southern Pines

FINAL TEAM STANDINGS

1. North Lincoln	305-295—600
2. Mayodan Dalton McMichael	305-313—618
3. South Lenoir	308-313—621
4. Salisbury	319-308—627
5. Raleigh Cardinal Gibbons	315-313—628
6. Shelby	315-318—633
7. Wilkes Central	324-315—639
8. Roanoke Rapids	322-319—641
9. West Henderson	318-329—647
10. Clinton	337-319—656
11. Lenoir Hibriten	339-326—665
12. Pasquotank	342-346—688

FINAL INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

1. Justin Clement, West Davidson	72-64—136
2. Miller Capps, North Lincoln	74-69—143
3. Zach Lawing, North Lincoln	71-75—146
Scott Novicki, South Lenoir	69-77—146
5. Spencer Jones, Shelby	75-73—148

Hoadley Of Union Pines Has 66 To Win Medalist; Hickory Is Team Champion In 3-A Golf

BUIES CREEK—Robert Hoadley of Cameron Union Pines won his second individual title in the last three years in the 24th annual North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 3-A men's golf championships at the Keith Hills Country Club.

Hoadley, who was the 2007 3-A champ and tied for ninth last year, fired a blistering six-under 66 on the final day of play to record a winning total of 136. There was a four-way tie for second that necessitated a playoff and Robert Register of Burlington Williams, last year's individual champion, took second with an eagle on the second playoff hole.

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

Hickory outdueled defending team champion Wilson Fike and Burlington Williams to win the team championship. The Red Tornadoes carded an excellent 588, including a 290 on the final day, to take the title by six shots over Fike.

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2009 MEN'S 3-A GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS

Keith Hills Country Club, Buies Creek

FINAL TEAM STANDINGS

1. Hickory	298-290—588
2. Wilson Fike	296-298—594
3. Burlington Walter Williams	299-298—597
4. Gastonia Forestview	301-302—603
5. Waxhaw Porter Ridge	311-302—613
Charlotte Catholic	314-299—613
7. Southeast Guilford	310-307—617
8. Southern Lee	310-309—619
9. Lake Norman	321-306—627
10. Morehead	314-317—631
11. Northern Nash	326-333—659
12. Wilson Hunt	332-332—664

FINAL INDIVIDUAL LEADERS-par 72

1. Robert Hoadley, Cameron Union Pines	70-66—136
2. *Robert Register, Burlington Williams	71-68—139
3. *James Chapman, Gastonia Forestview	70-69—139
4. *Trey White, Hickory	73-66—139
5. *Ryan Yarbrough, Wilson Fike	70-69—139

*four golfers competed in playoff to break tie for second

Cromie Takes Title, Leads Green Hope To 4-A Championship

PINEHURST—Michael Cromie of Cary Green Hope fired a six-under par 66 to win the individual crown and to lead his team to the championship in the 73rd annual North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 4-A men's golf championships at Pinehurst number six.

Cromie, who was tied for fifth after the first 18, had a 36-hole total of five-under par 139, good for a five-shot advantage over runner-up Quent Mather of Charlotte Myers Park. Mather and Harrison Ashworth of Fuquay-Varina ended regulation with even par 144 totals, Ashworth closing with an excellent 67 on Tuesday. But Mather birdied the second hole of a sudden death playoff to take the runner-up spot.

The championship was held on a par-72 layout set at 6,658 yards or the NCHSAA event.

Cary Green Hope won the team title for the third time in the last four seasons and fourth time in the last seven years. Green Hope had an eight-shot advantage over Charlotte Providence and 13 over third-place Charlotte Myers Park.

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2009 MEN'S 4-A GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS

Pinehurst Resort and Country Club

Pinehurst number four

FINAL TEAM STANDINGS

1. Cary Green Hope	305-296—601
2. Charlotte Providence	304-305—609
3. Charlotte Myers Park	317-297—614
4. Northern Durham	306-311—617
5. Southern Pines Pinecrest	310-308—618
6. Apex	311-313—624
7. Alexander Central	320-306—626
8. Clayton	326-306—632
9. North Mecklenburg	324-309—633
10. Winston-Salem R. J. Reynolds	318-319—637
11. Greensboro Grimsley	324-315—639
12. Fayetteville Jack Britt	341-327—668

FINAL INDIVIDUAL LEADERS-par 72

1. Michael Cromie, Cary Green Hope	73-66—139
2. Quent Mather, Charlotte Myers Park	72-72—144
3. Harrison Ashworth, Fuquay-Varina	77-67—144
4. Stratten Waladt, Northern Durham	72-73—145
5. Andy Knox, Apex	70-78—148
Patrick Sawrey, Smithfield-Selma	73-75—148
Zach Munroe, Charlotte Providence	76-72—148



MEN'S BASKETBALL

Toomey Leads Bishop McGuinness Past Weldon For 1-A Men's Crown

RALEIGH—Aaron Toomey poured in 35 points, including hitting 19 of 21 from the free throw line, to lead Bishop McGuinness past Weldon 72-56 in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 1-A men's basketball championship at Reynolds Coliseum.

Toomey was named the Wendy's Most Valuable Player as Bishop won its first NCHSAA men's basketball title en route to a 31-2 record.

The game was close until the third quarter, when Bishop McGuinness moved from a one-point halftime lead by outscoring Weldon 15-2 in the third quarter.

Ross Diachenko added 14 points for the victorious Villains while Weldon was led by Cameron Staton with 11 points and Desmond Faulcon with 10.

Weldon, finishing 26-2 overall, shot just 28.6 percent from the field for the game and made only five of 23 attempts from beyond the arc.

Most Outstanding Players: Bishop McGuinness-Ross Diachenko; Weldon-Desmond Faulcon; Wendy's MVP: Aaron Toomey, Bishop McGuinness.

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Shelby Downs Northwood 62-50 To Capture 2-A Championship

CHAPEL HILL—Eric Mayo scored 15 points, grabbed nine rebounds and handed out four assists to lead a balanced Shelby attack as the Golden Lions downed Northwood 62-50 in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 2-A men's basketball championship at the Smith Center.

The Golden Lions (29-2) also got 14 points from Nick Stamp, who hit eight of 11 at the charity stripe, and 10 from Derrick Mayo. Shelby led by as many as 13 points in the fourth quarter, but the Chargers rallied to cut it to seven with 54.8 seconds left before the Lions hit foul shots down the stretch.

Jake Houck led Northwood (20-6) with 15 points, including four three-pointers, and big Terrance Hackney had 11 points and 11 rebounds before fouling out with 3:55 to play.

The Chargers shot just 33.3 percent from the floor for the game.

Most Outstanding Players: Shelby-Nick Stamp; Northwood-Terrance Hackney; Wendy's MVP: Eric Mayo, Shelby.

Northern Guilford Wins 3-A Title, But Later Has To Forfeit Games

RALEIGH—Chris McCain scored 25 points, hitting 10 of 12 shots from the field, and hauled down 11 rebounds to lead Northern Guilford to a 66-54 triumph over Gastonia Forestview in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association men's 3-A state basketball championship at Reynolds Coliseum.

The Nighthawks (30-3) had apparently earned their first state title in any sport in the school's second year of existence and with no senior class. However, later it was discovered that Northern had used ineligible players in several sports, including men's basketball, had to forfeit games and thus the title was vacated.

The Nighthawks hit 57.1 percent from the field in the second half to just 32.3 for Forestview.

Forestview (25-7), a school celebrating its 10th anniversary, got 19 points from Preston Holmes, including four threes. Jack Sumner added 12 points and Chris Johnson 10 for the Jaguars.

Most Outstanding Players: Forestview-Preston Holmes; Northern Guilford-Michael Neal; Wendy's MVP: Chris McCain, Northern Guilford.

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Mount Tabor Holds Off Terry Sanford For 4-A Title

CHAPEL HILL—Mount Tabor never trailed, spurting to a 25-8 first-quarter lead but then holding off a game Terry Sanford rally to score a 60-55 decision in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 4-A men's basketball championship in the Smith Center.

The game was also televised live statewide by Time Warner Cable.

C.J. Harris of Mount Tabor (31-1), who is headed to Wake Forest, was the Wendy's MVP with 20 points, including 12 of 14 at the foul line, and four assists. Josh Hicks added 14 while Alex Fagg had nine points and a team-high 10 rebounds.

Terry Sanford (28-4) got 16 points, four rebounds and four assists from Chris Wilson and a 12-point, 11-rebound performance from Mike Mason. The Bulldogs limited Mount Tabor to just 20 percent shooting from the field (5 of 25) in the second half.

Most Outstanding Players: Mount Tabor-Alex Fagg; Terry Sanford-Chris Wilson; Wendy's MVP: C.J. Harris, Mount Tabor.



WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Bishop McGuinness Rolls To Fourth Straight State Crown

RALEIGH—Bishop McGuinness grabbed an 11-2 first period lead and was never headed as the Lady Villains rolled past East Bladen 64-33 in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 1-A women's basketball championship at Reynolds Coliseum.

Bishop ended the season with a 29-4 mark and won its fourth straight state title.

The win by both Bishop teams marked the 10th time in NCHSAA history that a school's women's and men's basketball teams earned state titles in the same season.

Megan Buckland led Bishop McGuinness with 15 points and was selected as the Wendy's MVP while Brittany Cox added 11 points. Bishop outrebounded East 41-25 and scored 27 points off 26 East Bladen turnovers.

Courtney Melvin led East Bladen (26-3) with 14 points and 11 rebounds.

Most Outstanding Players: Bishop McGuinness-Whitney Knight; East Bladen-Courtney Melvin; Wendy's MVP: Megan Buckland, Bishop McGuinness.

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Salisbury Beats Graham 56-41 To Earn NCHSAA 2-A Title

CHAPEL HILL—Shanequa Phifer scored 15 points and De'Rya Wylie scored 10 to go with 11 rebounds to lead Salisbury to a 56-41 victory over Graham for the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 2-A women's basketball championship at the Smith Center.

Salisbury rallied in the second half, capitalizing on a 37-24 rebounding average and also taking advantage of 20 Graham turnovers.

A 15-4 run by Salisbury in the second half put the Hornets in charge after Graham led late in the third quarter.

Kiki Allen had 17 points, including four three-pointers, and Beth Miller 13 for Graham (28-4), which was making its third consecutive appearance in the state championship game.

Most Outstanding Players: Salisbury-De'Rya Wylie; Graham-Kiki Allen; Wendy's MVP: Shanequa Phifer.

Dudley Outlasts Forestview In 3-A Women's Thriller

RALEIGH—This classic game featured 17 ties, 14 lead changes and no more than six points ever separated the two teams as Greensboro Dudley nipped Gastonia Forestview 60-58 in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 3-A women's basketball championship at Reynolds Coliseum.

Dudley trailed by four with less than three minutes to play, but Helen Terry's free throw with 1:27 to go gave the Panthers (30-3) the lead for good. Terry was the Wendy's MVP with 16 points and five assists, but Dudley also got excellent performances from Breonna Patterson with 23 points, including three three-pointers, while Desiree Drayton pulled down 18 rebounds.

Shannon Smith of Forestview (27-5) led all scorers with 31 points, but took 37 shots while making 12.

Most Outstanding Players: Forestview-Shannon Smith; Dudley-Breonna Patterson; Wendy's MVP: Helen Terry, Dudley.

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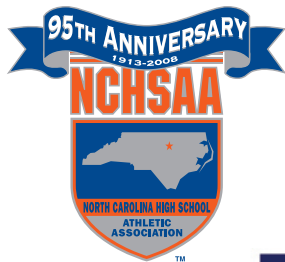
West Charlotte Pulls Away From Hillside In 4th Quarter

CHAPEL HILL—Christal Caldwell scored 19 points to lead a balanced West Charlotte attack as the Lions pulled away to beat Durham Hillside 78-60 in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association state 4-A women's basketball championship at the Smith Center.

This game was much closer than the final would indicate, since West Charlotte led by only two entering the fourth quarter and by three with 3:14 to play before finishing with a 16-1 run. West (28-3) scored 31 points off of 29 turnovers, and came up with 17 steals on the night. The 18-point margin was the largest of the game.

Nikki Burton added 16 points and nine boards for the winners, while Ebony Caldwell scored 14, Jessica Freeman 13 and Trena Moore-Smith 12. Asia Williams paced Hillside (26-6) with 20 points and 11 rebounds.

Most Outstanding Players: West Charlotte-Nikki Burton; Hillside-Asia Williams; Wendy's MVP: Christal Caldwell, West Charlotte.



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