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National Champions

Lady Bulldogs capture NAIA crown, 72-70 in OT

By Dale McElrath

Trish Wyatt connected on a 20-foot jumper from left of the key with three seconds left in overtime to give the UNCA Lady Bulldogs a 72-70 win over the University of Portland in the finals on the NAIA tournament in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

It also gave UNCA the National Championship.

The road to the championship was anything but smooth for the Lady Bulldogs.

Ninth-seeded UNCA beat eighth-seeded Central Arkansas 62-60 in the opening game of the tournament.

The Lady Bulldegs played Central Arkansas tough in the first half and led 26-25 at the half.

But the Sugar Bears

rallied in the opening moments of the second half to take a 43-34 lead with 12 minutes left in the game.

The Lady Bulldogs rallied in the next four minutes behind Wyatt and Kim Duncan to pull within three points, 47-44.

The Sugar Bears moved out to another eight point advantage, 52-44, in the next couple of minutes.

But UNCA had one more trick up its sleeve.

"When we got behind by eight, we changed our (zone) defense and went to man-to-man," said UNCA coach Helen Carroll. "It was time to gamble."

It was a gamble that paid off.

Sheila Ford scored six points in the final five minutes and the Lady Bulldogs' defensive change confused the Sugar Bears into several mistakes as UNCA outscored Central Arkansas 18-8 to claim the victory.

The Lady Bulldogs entered the quarter-finals against top-ranked and undefeated Southwest Oklahoma State.

It was a hard-fought game, but in the end the Lady Bulldogs had held on for a 57-54 win Continued on page 4



Kim Duncan and Trish Wyatt deboarding.
Photo by David Plunkett

Cagle, Lunsford, Magoon vying for presidency

By Anne Snuffer

With one minute left, the last candidate for an SGA office filed a nomination on March 16 for the office of SGA president.

According to elections commissioner Mike Hagarty, Stephen Magoon officially filed at 3:59 p·m· to "create an element of surprise."

Lewis "Chipper"
Lunsford, also filed
for president on Friday
to oppose incumbent Ken
Cagle.

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"Chipper filed in direct response to what was written in the (school) paper about nobody running against Ken. He's really excited about running," Hagarty added.

He said only one student filed for the office of treasurer, but was found ineligible because the student lacked the required six hours of accounting.

Hagarty said the treasurer's position would be appointed by the new president after the elections.

He went on to say that Doug Miller is running unopposed for the office of vice president.

Other candidates filing on Friday were: Douglas Griffin, and Steven Kurzer for senior senators.

Patricia Cabe, Adele Hyde, Cindy Rogers and John Murdock filed for junior senators.

Kenneth Hardy, Denise Patton, and Byron Samuels filed for sophomore senators.

Filing for commuter senators were: Tony Faulk, Marthe Fletcher, and Kathy Guthrie.

Carol Bradley and Kevin Ashby filed for dorm senators.

UNCA's new constitution was passed on March 16 by a large majority.

Of the 170 students voting, 164 voted yes. This exceeded the 114 votes needed for pas-

VP Bush makes Asheville stop

By Anna Paulette Witt

At 4:02 p.m. Friday the State Highway Patrol stopped traffic on Patton Avenue just before the I-26 overpass and Vice President Bush's motorcade glided off the interstate and pulled up to Asheville's new Ramada Inn West. Security was extremely tight at the Inn, with U.S. Marshalls and police prowling everywhere, a SWAT team station-wagoned out front, and a metal detector checking everyone who entered the cordoned-off area where the vice president was to speak. Secret

service men with clear plastic earphones nearly outnumbered the invited guests and the media people.

At 4:04 a long, black limousine pulled up to an Inn side entrance. It was preceded and followed by patrol cars and a station wagon, Continued on page 8