

## Team plans to continue win tradition

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It's a feat accomplished by no other coach in the State of North Carolina, with the exception of UNC's Dean Smith, but when Chowan College's men's basketball team takes the floor to open the 1989-90 season, Coach Bob Burke will be shooting for his 10th straight 25-win season.

But for Burke to accomplish a 25 victory season, he'll have to rely on a trio of reserves from a 1988-89 squad that finished 25-7 and nine freshmen.

"Personally, this will be a challenging season for me," said Burke. "For the first time I can remember, I have no returning starters to depend upon and with nine new faces on this year's squad, the key will be how fast they can develop into our system and how they handle the pressure of one of the toughest schedules we've had in 10 years."

### Help from Returnees

Burke listed returnees James Doggett (6'5" forward), Phil Wood (6'4" swing player) and Warren Avery (5'11" point guard) as solid starters with the other two starting berths up for grabs.

Freshman Sherron Mills (6'9"), and Kenny Scroggins (6'7") and Ken Davis, who at 6'8" and 265 pounds is referred to as the "cafeteria" by Burke, will see a lot of work in the paint this year.

"Those three have the potential to be the best players I've ever had at Chowan, but with the big, physical teams we have on the early part of our schedule, they'll receive an early initiation to college style basketball."

Chowan's backcourt was a question mark coming into the season and Burke went in search of immediate help by luring a half-dozen players to the Chowan campus. Topping the list is 6'4" Bryan Hill, a McDonald's Classic performer who Burke termed as "explosive, inside and out." Also calling Murfreesboro home now is the Charlottesville, Va., all-time leading scorer in the form of 6'3" Gary Gough.

### Other Strong Players

Battling Avery for the point guard slot will be 6'2" O'Jay Hymons, an outstanding defender and good shooter, and 6'0" Louis Williamson, who can play either the point or off-guard positions.

If the Braves run into a team that deploys a zone defense, Burke has in his arsenal 5'11" James Thompson who Burke describes as "one of the better shooters I've seen and a sure-fired zone buster".

"I know this is a well used phrase but it fits this team perfectly when I say that we'll get better as the season progresses", quipped Burke. "We are very proud of the tradition that has been established at Chowan and I hope that the fans will come out and support this team and help us continue that tradition."



Former athletes enshrined in the Sports Hall of Fame are, from left, Ken Haswell, Wayne Browning, Jimmy Boseman and J. M. "Piggy" Jenkins.

## Four inducted into Sports Hall of Fame

Hailed as the finest cross section of athletes to be so honored, four former Braves' standouts took their places in the Chowan College Sports Hall of Fame on October 28, during a ceremonial banquet at the Thomas Cafeteria.

Jimmy Boseman, Wayne Browning, Ken Haswell and J. M. "Piggy" Jenkins were the hall's newest inductees and will forever be remembered as their plaques are now permanently assigned to the Helms Center.

Boseman, who was a two-year starter for Chowan's 1961-62 football team at middle linebacker, was inducted by his former coach James Garrison, who still serves the college in that capacity as well as athletic director.

"Jimmy was our MVP and an All-Conference selection in 1962," said Garrison of his former student. "We called him the 'rock' because that's the way he hit you. I recall a game at Davidson back in '61 where Jimmy and their big fullback were heading at each other, both with a full head of steam. At the last possible second, the Davidson player sidestepped Jimmy and I told 'Rock' after the game I was glad 'you two didn't collide' with the way they were heading because it may 'have killed both of you.' Jimmy just looked at me and said, 'Coach, wouldn't that be a great way to go.'"

"This is the greatest thing that has ever happened to me, other than marrying my wife," said a visually emotional Boseman upon accepting his honor.

After leaving Chowan, Boseman played semi-professional football which eventually earned him a tryout with NFL's Atlanta Falcons. He then earned a degree in textiles from the University of South Carolina at Florence. Involved with the textile industry for the past 20 years, Boseman is head buyer and production manager for Craig Industries in Lamar, S. C.

Browning, a native of Plymouth, was a two-sport star at Chowan in 1950-51 as he lettered in both football and baseball. From the Murfreesboro campus, his football skills earned him a full scholarship at the University of Richmond.

"Chowan taught Wayne the three 'R's'," said A. Jackson Mason, who inducted his friend into the Hall of Fame, "reading, writing and the road to Richmond."

"I accept' are the three syllables I know best," quipped Browning as he accepted his copy of the permanent plaque. "But seriously, I would recommend the small college life to anyone and there's a great one right here in Murfreesboro. I'm very proud to say that I attended Chowan College."

Browning and his wife, Mary, reside in Davis Wharf, Va., and he serves as president of Copes Ice and Coal Company in Tasley, Va. The father of five serves as a member of the Virginia Marine Resources Commission and the Potomac River Fisheries Commission. Browning is also a director of the Eastern Shore branch of Crestar Bank and the A&N Electric Co-op.

Haswell, a native and current resident of Knightdale, was a versatile two-sport star at Chowan from 1952 through 1954. His basketball abilities earned him second team all-conference honors for two seasons and he was tabbed as a member of the all-tournament team during the 1952-53 season. On the baseball diamond, Haswell was selected to the All-State, junior college team

in 1954 and honored as the most outstanding athlete at Chowan for the 1953-54 season.

"Big time college coaches have a big city connection from where they draw their best athletes," said Hillard Greene, a teammate of Haswell and a member of the Chowan Sports Hall of Fame himself. "When Ken and I were at Chowan, Coach Appenzeller had the Knightdale connection as four of his players hailed from that small Wake County town. I am very proud to say I was a teammate of Ken's because he was a great basketball and baseball player."

"For a place I couldn't stand when I first arrived, I cried when I left two years later," said Haswell as he received his honor from Greene. "Chowan College, as well as the entire community, took care of me and because of the good, Christian people that were here, I'm a better person today. Thank you for making my day, it doesn't get any better than this."

Jenkins, a native of Murfreesboro, attended Chowan from 1933-35 and was a member of the college's first football team in 1933. Through Chowan's first 17 ball games in 1933-34, Jenkins at a whopping 125 pounds, played all but two minutes from his offensive center position. He also participated in both basketball and baseball while at Chowan.

Upon his graduation, Jenkins attended Wake Forest University where he obtained his Bachelor of Science degree in 1938 and earned a Master's degree in 1949.

"I'm unable to relate to Piggy's athletic skills because he was way before my time," said Dr. Herb Appenzeller who conducted the induction ceremony for Jenkins and who also served Chowan as a former coach and athletic director.

"I can tell you that Piggy is responsible for establishing a basketball tradition at Chowan, one that I see is still thriving today. Back when I was coaching, we had no place to play our games and Piggy arranged for us to hold our games at the old Murfreesboro High School. He did everything, promotion, ticket sales, ran the scoreboard and handled the PA system. Once the crowds started attending, our program took off."

"My gratitude shows no bound here tonight for I am so grateful for this honor and my heartfelt thanks goes to all responsible," said Jenkins.

Jenkins has been a former teacher and principal of Murfreesboro High School, associate superintendent of Hertford County Schools from 1963-75 and served as superintendent from 1975-1978. Very active on the Chowan campus, Jenkins served as timekeeper and public address announcer for all of Chowan's home games from 1950-1965.

Married to the former Josephine Ambrose, the father of one son was presented the Chowan College Distinguished Alumni Award in 1978.

All four of the new inductees were presented Hall of Fame rings by, in order of induction, Gene King of Vance Athletic Supply, Herman Henderson of Henderson Child Care, Tommy Forbes, subbing for Jimmy Bryan of Sportsman's World and Vernon Baker, standing in for William Lawrence of the Georgia-Pacific Corporation.