

Moyer helps players succeed

Wrestlers must 'develop academic muscle first'

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Mike Moyer destroys the myth that wrestlers struggle with the English language as well as their opponents.

The man who coaches that sport at Chowan College is not a grunter-groner with a limited vocabulary but a literate young man who respects the ancient sport of wrestling.

He decries the professional grapplers, with their one-syllable words and Dead End Kids speeches.

"People equate us with them," Moyer said. "That hurts. What they do is a form of acting."

He takes the sport seriously and expects his students to do the same and to regard their studies the same way.

Moyer will tell his matmen to pack their wrestling trunks and go through the gymnasium's exit door if they cannot maintain at least a C average.

"I demand they go to class, get there on time, work hard seek extra help if they need it," he said.

Moyer is often the one providing that help. If a team member feels he is losing the fight with academia, he can catch coach at study hall, nightly from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

"I go through everything with the students," he said, "I help, as best I can, with Spanish, English, math."

"The most important thing at Chowan is getting that degree. Some guys come here thinking that wrestling comes first. Wrong."

Moyer, who at 23 is only a year or two older than most of his students, feels his youth is an advantage. "I tell them the same thing their parents tell them, but I'm closer to their age and that helps."

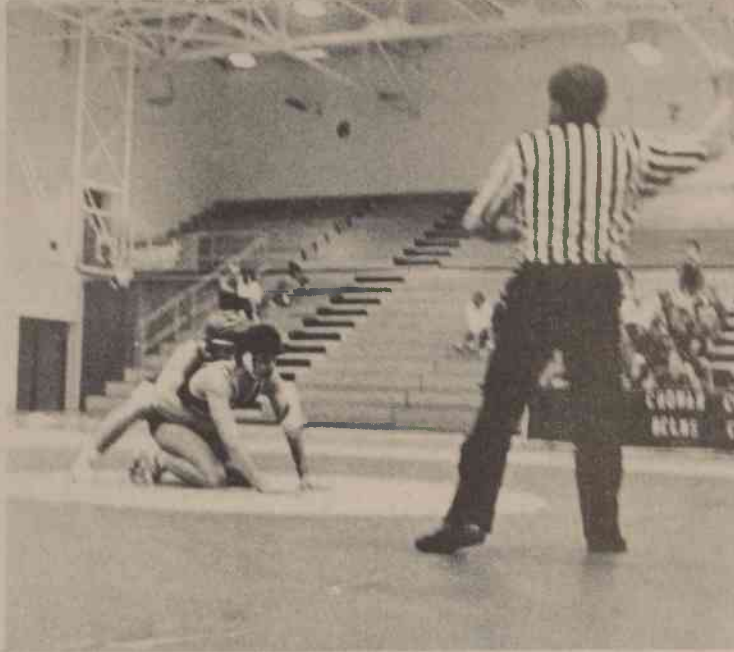
Moyer, who has been at Chowan since August, needs his youthful energy.

He is also director of intramural sports, and director of the Lakeside Student Center.

Flag football, basketball and softball are the most popular intramural activities, but Moyer said, "There is also volleyball, pool, ping-pong and cross-country racing."

The study center, in spite of its name, has pool tables and video games, and is the building used for dances, concerts and roller-skating.

And there is more for Moyer.



Moyer's wrestlers compete in Helms Center under the watchful eye of the referee.

He manages the wrestling team, serves as its public relations director, recruiter, cheerleader, mat cleaner "and its mom and dad."

His dad, William P. Moyer, was a wrestling coach at Wilson High School in Reading, Pa., where he teaches biology.

Michael Moyer's uncle is a school principal, his grandmother is a music teacher, his aunt is a schoolteacher and his brother is a health safety teacher at a nuclear power plant.

"My brother and I were on dad's wrestling team," he said.

Moyer continued with the sport at West Chester University in Pennsylvania and came through with a 119-10 record.

When he was not atop an opponent he stayed atop his studies and earned a bachelor of science degree in health and physical education. He is working on his master's degree in athletic administration from James Madison University in Harrisonburg, where he was assistant coach before coming to Chowan.

Occasionally he leaves the Baptist college for recruiting trips.

"Our budget is limited," Moyer said. "Often those visits are paid for out-of-pocket."

"Since we're a two-year college, recruiting is tough. We recruit a whole new team every other year."

Moyer points out the advantage of wrestling at Chowan. "If you're at a four-year school you're on the junior varsity right away and get a lot more experience."

"Often, you wrestle against the larger schools because very few junior schools offer the sport," he said. "We compete with colleges like Madison, VMI, University of Virginia and Virginia Tech."

They compete successfully. Their 1984 record was 12 and 2. This season, it was 10-5. Three of the losses were against four-year schools.

Recently, four Chowan matmen competed for titles in the National Junior College championships at Dupage College in Chicago.

Joe Hibbard, a 126-pound freshman, almost pulled the upset of the nationals. He led the defending national champion, 5-0, when he was suddenly pinned with 40 seconds left in the match, Hibbard then won twice before losing a 7-6 decision. One more win and Hibbard would have made the All-American team.

The Braves' Chris Brock, at 142 pounds, also just missed the All-American team. He won his opening match, lost in the second round, won in the third and was pinned with 30 seconds left in the consolation quarterfinals after leading, 4-0.

Dennis Cannon also made it to the consolation quarterfinals. He won his first two matches and then went 1-2.

Dan Lewis, at 177, was eliminated when he lost his first two matches. "For the most part," Moyer said, "There is little glory in wrestling, no money, but lot of self-fulfillment."

But that comes only with good marks. At Chowan, you don't hit the mats if you don't hit the books.

Answers sought to proposed cuts in student aid

College Foundation, Inc. in Raleigh, has had one of the busiest telephone systems in the state during recent weeks, since the news media started reporting on proposed changes in the federal government's budget for student loans.

Mary Bland Josey, communications specialist for CFI, said that those interested in applying for student loans should be aware that there have been no changes yet in legislation.

For the 1985-86 academic year, a student can qualify for the N. C. ISL if he is a U. S. citizen, a N. C. legal resident and accepted for enrollment in a participating college on at least a half-time basis. The student may attend school in or out of North Carolina. If the adjusted gross family income for the last tax year was no more than \$30,000, the student probably will qualify unless he has campus-awarded assistance equal to the total cost of attendance. If the family income is over \$30,000, he may still qualify depending on the number of dependents in the family and the number in college.

Students and parents interested in loans for educational purposes should talk with financial aid administrators or contact College Foundation Inc., 1307 Glenwood Avenue, Raleigh, N. C. 27605.

Braves take ETC championship

Chowan College, with tournament MVP Jerome Cooper paving the way, won the Eastern Tarheel Conference Tournament last month, adding yet another championship banner to the confines of the Helms Center.

Cooper, a quiet but effective player during the season, exploded during the tournament and led the Braves to the title. Cooper was 19 of 23 from the floor during the tournament, grabbed 17 rebounds, blocked seven shots and handed out seven assists in games against Mt. Olive and Lenoir.

Defeat Lenoir

After handing Lenoir a 93-80 loss in the first game of the tournament, the Braves were able to wear down Mt. Olive in the championship game and earn a 67-55 win, and the tournament crown.

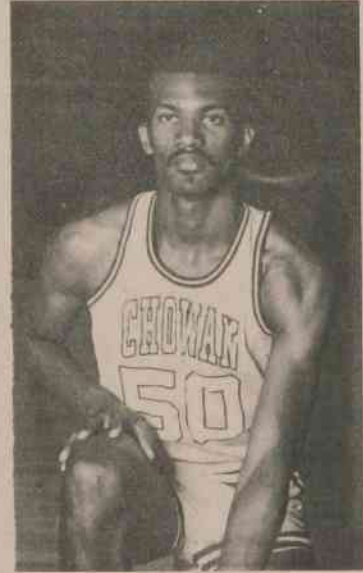
In the game against Lenoir, Cooper connected for 28 points and Greg Hollingsworth canned 20 points for the Braves. Rob James chipped in 14 points and hauled in eight rebounds, Kenny Reynolds also grabbed eight rebounds and added seven points. Jim Dillard tossed 13 points through the basket and picked up four rebounds.

Clifton Lynch had four points and four assists while Tracy Battle was only able to contribute two points.

Battle, named Player of the Year in the conference, sprained his ankle during the game and did not play in the championship game.

Thomas Beatty hit for 21 points and Scott Jones gathered 16 points for Lenoir.

Five Hit Double Figures Against Mt. Olive in the title game.



JEROME COOPER Most Valuable Player



TRACY BATTLE Player of the Year



BOB BURKE Coach of the Year

five Chowan players were in double figures. Jim Dillard took scoring honors for Chowan with 17 points, followed by Hollingsworth's 13 points and eight rebounds, Cooper's 12 points and 10 rebounds, Rob James' 11 points and six rebounds and Kenny Reynolds' 10 points and nine rebounds.

Allen Carroll had 20 points and Darwin Carr had 14 points to lead Mt. Olive's offensive attack.

Chowan's assistant coach Kenny Bunker said both games saw the Braves grab an early lead and "build on it steadily all night long." Bunker said both teams were unable to make the games close.

With the two wins at the tournament, Chowan went into NJCAA Region X

play with a 27-3 record. The Braves faced Lees-McRea Junior College in the first game of the Region X tournament. The Braves were denied an opportunity to return to Hutchinson, Kansas, for competition in the National Tournament as they were defeated in the opening round of the Regionals by the Bobcats.

Along with Cooper's selection as tournament MVP and Battle being chosen Player of the Year, Greg Hollingsworth and Battle were named to the All-Tournament team. Theodore Edwards and Bill Holcomb of Louisburg, Lamont Johnson and Darwin Carr from Mt. Olive and Scott Jones and Thomas Beatty from Lenoir were also named to the tourney team.

Bob Burke was tabbed as the conference's Coach of the Year.

Bus company offering low student fares

Trailways Lines, Inc., has announced that no round trip fares will exceed \$98 for persons presenting a college identification card at the time of purchase. And students who are traveling from, and returning to Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia or West Virginia will pay no more than \$84 for their round trip ticket on Trailways.

In making the announcement Robert Buschner, vice president of marketing for Trailways stated, "the new Trailways college discount program is designed to attract students to us during the spring semester when a good portion of student travel takes place. The fares are only \$49 one-way or \$42 each when students buy a round trip ticket. We want to offer students a viable alternative to using their own cars for spring break trips and for traveling to and from their homes," Buschner said.

According to Buschner, the \$84 round-trip fare being offered from eleven southern tier states and is in effect through June 15, 1985 for both sale and transportation. The \$98 round trip fare being offered from all other Trailways origin points is good for sale through either April 15, or April 30, on transportation through either April 30, 1985 or May 15, 1985, depending on the state. Students are urged to contact their local Trailways terminal or agent for specifics on the new fares.

Lady Braves make history

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Orange County Community College at the junior college women's national tournament on Tuesday, March 19.

Orange County's Lady Braves from Middletown, New York, were unable to hold Brown and Sharon Gillard in check as the two swept the boards at both ends of the court and scored almost at will against the Lady Colts.

Gillard grabbed a season high 16 rebounds and led numerous Chowan fast breaks in concert with Brown to intimidate the Lady Colts. The inside defensive threat of Chowan forced Orange County to take bad shots and outside pressure by Chowan's guards caused the Lady Colts to turn the ball over numerous times.

The Lady Braves led by as many as 44 points in the second half, continuing to build on its sizeable first half lead. Brown scored nine points in the first ten minutes of the game and Gillard controlled the boards, picking up nine rebounds in the first half.

Brown picked up her 98th blocked shot of the year and would pick up number 99 during the second half.

Buckets by Willy McCleave, Gillard and Wanda Liverman paved the way for a 44 point lead with nine minutes left in the game, 76-32. Coach Belinda McKeel pulled her starters with seven minutes left in the game and Orange County was able to score 15 points in the waning minutes of the game against the Chowan substitutes. The Chowan bench provided offensive assistance in the closing minutes and added 11 points to

the 78-36 point lead handed to them by the Lady Braves' starting five.

Tuesday Game

In the second game of the NJCAA women's tournament, the Lady Braves faced a much taller team than they encountered in previous matches.

Crowder Community College boasted players between 6' and 6'4" and had the distinction of knocking off Moberry Junior College, which had been in the top rankings of national basketball circles for several years.

In facing the strong Crowder squad, the Lady Braves "went out and played their game". The lead changed hands numerous times during the contest, with the Lady Braves going into the locker room at halftime with a lead.

The second half saw a "settled down" Crowder squad, with the battle evenly fought until 2 minutes remained in the contest.

Trailing by 2 points, the Lady Braves began to aggressively charge for the ball and committed several fouls which accounted for the 10 point deficit at the end of the contest.

Neil Welborn, sports information officer, accompanied the team to the Mississippi tournament and reported that other teams took notice of the Lady Braves. Many tournament watchers, according to Welborn, felt the Chowan squad was one of the better teams seen in Howard Coliseum in Senatobia, this year. According to Welborn, the team enjoyed its trip to the NCJCAA tournament and had support at the opening round.

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