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Men's Basketball: Hats Off

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This season the Men's Bronco basketball team is, as its poster demonstrates, "under new construction" with a new head coach and a new system of strategies. Coach Ricky Duckett is a native of Winston-Salem and received his baccalaureate at UNC-Chapel Hill and masters degree at the University of

The attitude that Duckett brings to the sport is that athletic ability and talent are not the only attributes needed to participate in sports. Sports are cerebral and one needs to use intelligence as part of the game.

Another important aspect of the game is winning. Coach Duckett feels that at age five or six the importance should be placed on learn-



This year's Seniors are highlighted as they pose for the team poster.

North Carolina and has "been coaching ever since". He has coached and taught at several high schools and universities, such as Harvard, Jacksonville, University of South Carolina and Wichita State.

As you sit across the desk from Coach Duckett, your eyes can't help but be drawn to the life-size poster on the wall of Clint Eastwood. I asked the obvious question, "Are you a fan?" Coach said he admired the kind of man Eastwood appeared to be. "A man of few words," the strong silent type. This attitude spills over into his coaching. I inquired how he felt about the team and he said he couldn't ask for a nicer group of people to work with. " They are good people and do the right thing." The most important "right thing" to do while here is to get an education. "As long as they go to class and do what they're supposed to do, they won't hear from me." In a true Eastwood fashion, "They don't want to hear from me. After we have had a meeting, there is no misunderstanding. Everything is up front and to the point."

ing fundamentals and not "win-winwin". At college level, the attitude of wanting to win and learning strategies on how to achieve that goal "translates" from the court to classroom and then into life.

The team has two assistant coaches, John Cooper from Kansas City and William McNeill, a student at FSU majoring in Education. Three other people who assist Coach Duckett are his wife, Letita, and their children, Phillip, age five and Keigan, nineteen months.

The team is also involved in a community outreach program. They visit Teresa C. Berrien, a school that is in an area known as chapter one, where there is a dependence on government subsidy such as free breakfast and lunch. Students in those areas do not have much community intervention nor positive male role models. Members of the basketball team, in the middle of their busy schedules of practice and classes, manage to go to the school every other week to tutor and interact with the kids to encourage them in the character needed to be successful in contemporary society.

team playing for FSU.

Derrick Hawkins, wearing shirt number 34, is from Henderson, NC. He stands 6'6" tall and tips the scales at 220 pounds.

Ivan Cameron, number 44, is also 6'6", weighs 215 pounds and is from Fayetteville.

Jerome Oliver, number 5, is a 6'1", 170 pounder from Mount Olive, NC.

Carl Chasten, also from Mount Olive fills shirt number 20 with a 6'2" frame covered by a 175 pound body.

Reggie Gilliam from Moore, SC is 6'0", 165 pounds. and wears shirt number 12.

Donald Hartsfield is number 33 from Wake Forest, NC, and weighs in at 200 pounds and stands 6'3" tall.

James Williamson from Durham is number 15, weighs 175 pounds and stands 6'1".

Donald Petree, number 32, from Winston-Salem weighs a slender 180 pounds on a 6'5" frame.

Michael Baskerville from Henderson, NC wears number 4, is 6'5" tall and weighs 205 pounds.

Charles Cameron, number 11, at 5'11" weighs 1645 pounds and is from Fayetteville.

The following is a roster of the Harvey Petty, number 3 from Shelby, NC, weighs 170 pounds and stands 6'6" tall.

> Charles Artis, from Winston-Salem, 6'6" tall weighs 209 pounds and wears shirt number 24.

David Martin from Louisville, KY, number 35, stands 6'5" and weighs 200 pounds.

Gerald Carter from Greensboro, wears number 23, is 6'3" and weighs 185 pounds.

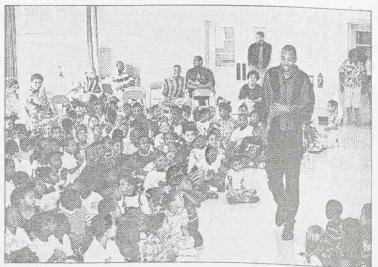
Students with I.D. cards get in free to all home games. The following is a list of HOME games yet to be played. Support our team. "Hard" hats off to our team under new construction.

January

- 13 St. Paul's College
- 17 Norfolk State
- 22 Shaw University
- 27 Johnson C. Smith 29 N.C. Central

February

- Livingstone College 2
- Claflin College
- 17 Winston-Salem
- 19 St. Augustine's



The Broncos' interaction with students at Teresa C. Berrien school provides those students with positive male role models.