

Sports by Deitric Davis

Good News and Bad News

Before our Homecoming game with the visiting Golden Bulls of Johnson C. Smith University, I asked the football team to give me something to write about. Believe it or not they did just that. Here's the Good news and the Bad.

Aside from the final score being 14-9 with our school on what would appear to be the short side of the stick, there are some positive things that need to be addressed. First of all, our defense held JCSU to 14 points, which is 11 points below their average. We scored one more point than our average of 8 points per game. I saw our team show that they have a bag of tricks to reach into (specifically that reverse with a flea flicker tacked on the end). Defensively, there was a secondary that was snapping necks on those receivers of JCSU that came across the middle. I saw a team filled with youth and inexperience manage to stay close with a more experienced team in JCSU. What they lacked in ability they made up for by playing with a lot of heart and determination.

The bad news is that it was the last home game of the season for our team. This was the last game for our four seniors (#21-Darnell Cox, #29-James Dawson, #53-Tyrell Chatman, #86-Sedrick Utley) and graduate student, #81-Marcus Davis (game balls to all).

Some things to look for in the future: a more experienced team that will have the motivation and experience necessary to fuel them on the way to reaching their dreams on the football field as well as off the field; hopefully more coaches to assist in this improving program (the current coaching staff is working as hard as they possibly can on more home games). After the game, in midst of all the frustration, the university's Homecoming spirit was well revived and definitely alive. This was one of the best Homecomings this place has ever seen. I'm still proud to call this place [FSU] my school, aren't you?

Players' Ball

THE FIRST TO THE COURT

The Broncos' Voice would like to give mad props to the members of this year's Lady Broncos volleyball team for their activities on the court as well as their endeavors off the court. They participated in the "Tidewater Volleyball Roundup," in Virginia Beach, Virginia during the weekend of September 29 through October 1, 1995. They defeated ECSU, Bowie State, Saint Paul's, Virginia State and Virginia Union. However they did lose the match against Norfolk State going 15-6; 7-15; 11-15.

Their hard work and dedication have granted them a second place ranking in division play with a 9-3 record landing them in fourth place in the conference. You go girls!!

An individual shout out goes to Reeshemah Parkison a freshman setter from Kingston, Jamaica. She has been named "Newcomer of the Week," Big ups (thanks Uzi)!!

The Volley ball team has reached another milestone with an upsetting victory over St. Augustine who has not been beaten by a Southern Division team in a long time. How long you ask? Not since the time when Coach Hill played in her college days. This FSU team is definitely something special.

Coach Hill has been named "Coach of the Week," for the second straight week. Teresa McMillian has been named "Newcomer of the Week," for the week of November 14, 1995.

Yet another milestone for the team was their second place finish in the FSU Invitational Volleyball Tournament held during the week of October 13 and 14. Highly ranked Alabama A&M won the tournament.

ON TO THE GREEN

Our golf team is also making progress in their area as well. Yes, we do have a golf team here at Fayetteville State University. They participated in the Coca-Cola Hall of Fame Classic Golf Tournament in Atlanta, Georgia. Out of 12 teams they came in second place. Kevin Lindsay and Lorenzo Juarez were among the top ten finishers. Congratulations! The Golf Team has been one of the more quiet programs at this University that has been racking up the accolades of success since the early 70's. Much respect to the Golf Team. Go Broncos.

IN THE BACKFIELD

Darnell Cox has again received CIAA honors for his play on the football field. He was named "Defensive Back of the Week," Another FSU defensive back who recently received honors is our very own Cedric Jordan, for being named "Newcomer of the Week,"

WE WON!

The Fayetteville State University Bucking Bronco Football Team has won their first game of the season, 6-3 against The Bulldogs of Bowie State University.

The game winning score was set up on a 35 yard pass from Aris Young to Cedrick Utley to put the ball on the FSU 30 yard line with 2:14 left in the game. A couple of plays later, opting for the field goal to tie the game, the field unit took the field. Quarterback Jermaine Bryant was in on the play as holder for Field Goal Kicker, Todd Eason. The Ball was snapped and Bryant took it and rolled out to loft the game's first and only touchdown pass to Defensive Back Aris Young with only :47 seconds left in the game. The point after attempt failed; however, was the enough for the Bronco's of Fayetteville State University to post their first win of the season. Better late than never. Congratulations to everyone involved.

Personal Notes:

I think that the Homecoming loss finally inspired the entire team to start reaching for that next level of play.

Game Balls-

To Aris Young for his involvement in the 2 key plays that led to the win.
To the Defense for being unyielding, and only letting 173 yards go on the day (103-rushing and 70-passing)

The offense made 2 of 2 on fourth down conversions (this means they stuck it out when they had to.).

To the coaching staff for everything.

Glenna W. Sexton

Acting Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs

Dear FSU Students:

I would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank the students in the Students Activities Council (SAC) and the staff members in the Office of Students Activities. These persons worked "above and beyond," their responsibilities to provide you with Homecoming activities.

The three SAC Officers--Tonia Johnson, Jerell Joyner and Tonjai Robertson--were instrumental in both the planning and implementing of these events. Most of the activities were their ideas. In addition to these officers, several SAC Council and SGA members worked to provide fun activities. I would specifically like to mention: Latasha Miller, Adua Anokye, Linda Barden, Daphne Betts, Denise McQueen, Nakiesha Melvin, Carolco Miles, Candi Stevens, Kelvin Thompson and Demetria White.

It is necessary to have dedicated officers and council members like these to have successful campus activities. The '95 Homecoming activities for students were more than in recent history. Please thank your SAC and SGA officers whenever you see them.