



## Getting Ready

West Craven baseball coach Tim Hardison, right, and an student work on getting the baseball field in shape before practice Tuesday. Monday began the practice season for the hardballers. West Craven boasts one of the best high school fields in eastern North Carolina. Hardison put those who turned out to win a spot on the team

through some drills in an effort to find who had speed, a good throwing arm and fielding techniques. The Eagles open their season March 15 against Greene Central and play New Bern in a scrimmage game March 8.

(Mike Voss photo)

## Vikings Rally For 56-48 Win, Duo Combines For 30 Points

By JIM GREEN  
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A combined 30-point effort by West Craven's Willie Manley and Keith Roundtree wasn't enough to stop D.H. Conley's Vikings and Conley maintained its game-and-a-half lead while Havelock moved into a tie for second place as both teams posted wins in Coastal Conference boys' action Tuesday night.

The Viking boys rallied from a seven-point deficit in the third quarter to defeat West Craven 56-48, while Ledel George scored 27 points to lead Havelock to a 63-51 victory over West Carteret.

At Vanceboro, Willie Manley scored 18 points while Keith

Roundtree added 12 and excellent defense, but the Eagles lost their offense in the fourth quarter as the Vikings rallied to win.

Manley and Roundtree both signed with Craven Community College last week.

West Craven led 42-35 entering the final quarter, but poor shooting and rebounding in addition to turnovers led to the Eagles' downfall. Conley scored 10 of its 21 points off of offensive rebounds and made 15 of its 20 free throws, while the Eagles were 3-of-4 from the charity stripe.

Phil Medlin led the Vikings with 14 points while Bronswell Patrick and Sherwood Wilder chipped in 10 points apiece. Wil-

der had two 3-pointers while Patrick added one.

Havelock, at 6-3 and tied with North Lenoir for second in the conference standings (the Hawks also won), will face Washington in a pivotal game for both teams here Friday.

In Coastal girls' games Tuesday, Havelock bested West Carteret 47-35 and West Craven eased past D.H. Conley 52-37.

George, who has been starting at point guard for the Rams to take some of the scoring pressure off of Borden, did most of the scoring against the Patriots. Borden, who has been sick, scored

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## Spring(?) Training

A West Craven baseball hopeful stretches during the second day of baseball practice Tuesday. About 30 boys are hoping to make either the varsity or junior varsity squads. Coach Tim Hardison had the boys stretch and warm up before taking a

close look at what talent came out this year. Hardison said he discovered a few nice surprises during the practice session. The Eagles open play March 15 against Greene Central.

(Mike Voss photo)

## Program Seeks Homes For Disturbed Children

By TERRI JAMIESON  
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"If we can get twenty-five homes then there are twenty-five children that can be placed ... the need is there. Some of these children haven't been identified yet," said social worker Debbie Moseley.

Ms. Moseley is developing a program that is designed to help children (on a one-to-one basis) learn to function in a normal home setting. The children Ms. Moseley is working with are diagnosed as emotionally disturbed. Some of these children

benefit more from the independence of a one-on-one environment as opposed to a group environment and do not require extensive treatment, such as placement into a residential group home or hospitalization.

The program that Ms. Moseley developed serves Craven, Carteret, Jones and Pamlico counties. The program has been dubbed the Therapeutic Home Program. The program is similar to foster care programs. Ms. Moseley said that she is in

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Eagle duo headed to Craven Community College

## Manley, Roundtree To CCC

## Panthers Sign Pair From West Craven

By MIKE VOSS  
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Once again Craven Community College has gone to a reliable source to shore up next year's basketball squad. Last week the Panthers signed West Craven's 6-6 center Keith Roundtree and guard Willie Manley.

The two Eagle standouts signed with the Panthers' assistant coach Dave Bauer after the loss to Pamlico last Tuesday. Panther head coach Si Seymour said he was excited about landing the duo. "We feel they fit right in with our program. We're graduating three people in their positions and feel they can fill a void for us," said Seymour.

The Panthers are losing several guards as well as leading scorer Roy Lee Sutton, also a West Craven product.

In an interview will Roundtree Tuesday, the Eagle big man said he would prefer to play forward at Craven. He should be able to get his wish as the Panthers' have no true post man in their flex offense. The flex offense is more of a three-forward offense.

Roundtree said he thought he could contribute defensively right away next season. Seymour feels that Roundtree will "help us the most on defense" and Sutton's 25-point scoring average will be picked up by several players.

The Panthers are counting on Manley to step in a fill the void left by guards Robert Trinn and

Kelvin Paige. Both are excellent outside shooters and Seymour is looking to Manley to provide outside shooting next year.

West Craven basketball coach Lorenzo Jones said he left the decision of who to sign with to Roundtree and Manley. Jones said he talks with his players about the schools recruiting them, but does nothing more than review the advantages and disadvantages of the schools.

"No doubt," said Jones when asked if he thought the junior college route was the way to go for players weak academically.

Jones, who has seen several of his players move on to quality college programs, said the reason West Craven has produced several top players is that he has a well of "good kids" to draw from. The Eagles have produced such players as last year's Class AAA Player of the Year Gary Blount who is at nationally-ranked Chowan College, Sutton at Craven, Ronnie Bellamy who played at Chowan and now plays at UNC-Charlotte, Lenwood Harris who played at Craven and now plays at Winthrop and Marvin Dawson who played at Craven.

"I think we've got a lot of people's attention," said Jones about the West Craven program. Roundtree said he expected getting used to more physical play to be the biggest adjustment for him in college ball. Manley

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## Strawberry Festival

### Board Meets Tonight At Library

The Strawberry Festival Board will meet at 7:30 tonight at the Vanceboro Library.

Representatives from churches and civic organizations are encouraged to attend this meeting and participate in the planning of the annual community event.

The meeting is open to the public and everyone is invited to attend. For more information, contact Sandra McCandless at 244-0550.

### Woman's Club Sponsoring Races

The Vanceboro Junior Woman's Club will host the Strawberry Festival Road Race at 8 a.m. May 21. The race will be certified by The Athletic Congress (TAC), according to race officials.

The event features a 10-kilometer, 5-kilometer and 1-mile race. For more information, contact Terri Jamieson at 244-0101 or Delane Armstrong at 746-3781.