

# Ram of the Week

WSSU star wingman Reggie Gaines has become the first basketball player this season to be named as the Winston-Salem Chronicle's "Ram of the Week" for his play in leading the Rams to two victories during the last seven days. The victories upped the Rams record to 4-0 and kept them among the nations top small college basketball teams.

The 6-8 Gaines, called "Cat" because of his quickness fired in a total of 61 points in the two games. In the teams 79-60 win over Elon, the big junior scored 27 points, hitting on 12 of 21 field goal attempts, had eight rebounds and handed out four assists.

win over St. Augustine's, he hit on a miraculous 16 of 19 floor shots, grabbed nine rebounds and dealt out

## Reggie Gaines

two assists. His 29 point per game average leads both the CIAA and district 26 scoring races. Earlier this week he was tabbed as the NAIA district 26 "basketball player of the week."

With All-American Carlos Terry gone to the pros, Gaines has now become the leader of the Rams. He wasted little time in asserting himself scoring

30 points and grabbing 15 rebounds in 29 minutes of action in the seasons opener.

Things have not always been so rosy for the outgoing Gaines, however. He came to WSSU after a high school career at Hoggard high in Wilmington where he was suspended during his junior year, but came back to become the conferences leading scorer in his final season, while garnering All-Conference and All-Southeast honors. "I started six games my sophomore year at Hoggard and was suspended my junior year after I failed to run laps when I had the flu," he recalls.

Entering WSSU with the last name of Gaines still didn't make things easy for

the sturdily built 205 pounder. he came down with tendonitis in both knees during his freshman year, and started only one game while playing behind Terry. Starting every game last season, he quickly developed into one of the league's most dangerous scoring threats and his rebounding improved as the season progressed.

This season he will be looked to even more for rebounding help with Terry gone, and thus far he has responded well. "I know I'm going to have to go to the boards more with Carlos gone and I worked hard over the summer to improve my rebounding. I want to be a complete player and help our team win the national title."

## All-CIAA Team

**HAMPTON\* VA....** The Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association football coaches met in Henderson, N.C., and selected the conference's official football team.

**Coach Billy Hayes** of Winston-Salem State University received the Coach of the Year Award two years in a row for his undefeated season and outstanding coaching abilities.

In addition to the 24 players selected, 6 other players received honorable mention for their outstanding performance during the season.

### Honorable Mention

Michael Smith	WR	Sr.	6'2"	185	Fayetteville St. U.
Tim Hampton	TE	So.	6'3"	205	Elize. City St. U.
Jesse Long	TE	Jr.	6'4"	210	Livingstone C.
Gary Raiford	OT	Sr.	6'3"	225	WSSU
Ricky Furline	LB	Sr.	6'0"	220	Fayetteville St. U.
Cal Gill	K	So.	5'10"	200	J.C. Smith U.

### Offense

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Kermit Blount	QB	Jr.	6'2"	170	WSSU
Judge Thomas	RB	Sr.	6'2"	200	V. U. U.
Timmy Newsome	RB	Jr.	6'3"	217	WSSU
James Jackson	WR	Sr.	6'3"	180	Liv. Col.
Billy Diggs	WR	Sr.	6'4"	200	WSSU
Charles Stoman	TE	Sr.	6'3"	225	JC Smith Univ.
Burnis Travis	OT	Sr.	6'2"	280	Fayetteville St.
Ernesto Youngs	OT	Sr.	6'2"	245	V. U. U.
Curtis Lyman	OG	Jr.	6'4"	235	Hampton Inst.
Leroy Jones	OG	Sr.	6'1"	255	Vir. St. College
Charles Miles	C	Sr.	5'8"	227	

### Defense

Joe Bell	DL	Sr.	6'4"	238	Norfolk St. Col.
Plummer Bullock	DL	Sr.	6'3"	220	V. U. U.
Waddell Moses	DL	Sr.	6'5"	275	Eliz City St.
Willie Jordan	DL	Sr.	6'4"	237	WSSU
Baxter Harrington	LB	Sr.	6'1"	226	WSSU
James Pugh	LB	Jr.	6'0"	210	Eliz. City St.
Marshall Jones	LB	Jr.	6'1"	215	Vir. St. College
Willie Grimes	DB	Sr.	6'11	190	St. Paul's Col.
Leroy Adams	DB	Jr.Sr.	6'1"	181	Vir. Union Univ.
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# VUU Cops Bowl

With CIAA champion Winston Salem State in Delaware playing in the NCAA division II playoffs and MEAC champ South Carolina State at home after failing to get a bid in the division I-AA playoffs the third annual Gold Bowl in Richmond, Va. became a battle of second place teams last Saturday. And when it ended Virginia Union, the CIAA runner-up had become the first team in that conference to win the bowl game beating MEAC bridesmaid North Carolina A&T 21-6.

The game was expected to be a battle between the Virginia Union offense which features super back Judge Thomas and the Aggie mammoth defense

but the Panther defense stole the show contributing two touchdowns and a safety in the win.

In the early going it looked as if the A&T defense led by All-American Dwaine "Pee Wee" Board would have the best of it. Jones put the Aggies out front with a 30 yard field goal after a fumble recovery and added another three pointer following the first of cornerback Gerald Johnson's two interceptions.

But the Panther defense had a little offensive show of their own int store for the division I-AA Aggies. Late in the first half Kevin Patterson broke through the Aggie line, block a Jones punt and snatched it out of the air in the end

zones to knot the score 6-6 at the half.

Early in the third quarter the Panthers forced the Aggies to try another punt. Under another strong rush Jones dropped the punt, picked it up and tried to run but fumbled again in the endzones. Union's Eugene Taylor fell on it and Michael Crawley's conversion made the score 13-6.

The defense added a safety before the Panther offense added a score to make the final 21-6.

South Carolina State had won the two previous games between the two leagues in post season competition beating Norfolk State in the inaugural contest and stopping the WSSU Rams 10-7 last season.

# W-S Smokers Split Games

By Robert Eller  
Sports Editor

The Winston Salem Smokers wheelchair basketball team split a doubleheader with the Greenville, N.C. Steelwheelers Saturday afternoon at Sprague Street Recreation Center losing the first game 51-49 before coming back to capture the second 53-51.

In the opening game the Smokers grabbed a 19-6 lead early in the first quarter behind the hot shooting of Elmer Clayton, Otis Thompson, and Gary Hooks. The Steelwheelers, however, come back to close to 23-17 by quarters end. The second quarter was a defensive battle as both teams shot coldly and the half ended with the Smokers leading 27-19. The Steelwheelers outscored the Smokers 14-2 in the third quarter to build a 35-29 lead and although the Smokers closed to within two on several occasions in the final minutes, they never caught up.

Clayton led the Smokers scoring with 16 points while Thompson added 14. The Steelwheelers James Breze led all scorers with 17 points.

In the second game the Smokers trailed 14-12 at the

end of the first quarter and 30-28 at the half. They knotted the game at 37 all on Marty Hartman's only basket of the game late in the third quarter and led 42-39 at the quarters end. The score was tied on four occasions in the final ten minutes before the Steelwheelers took a 49-47 lead with less than two minutes remaining. Two free throws by Clayton tied the score and Gary Hooks drove the length of the court to score with 47 left

to insure the teams second win of the season.

Clayton again paced the Smoker attack with 20 points. Thompson contributed 14, and Hooks, who did not start, came off the bench to tally 15 including 5 in the final six minutes.

The Smokers will take on the league leading Carolina Tarwheelers in another doubleheader on Saturday, December 9 at Sprague Center. The first game begins at 7:00 p.m. with the second slated to begin at 9.

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