

at the Trials in the sprints, are always viewed as serious candidates for America's 4 x 100 and 4 x 400 relay teams at the Summer Games. The top three finishers in the finals will compete for the U.S. in the individual events.

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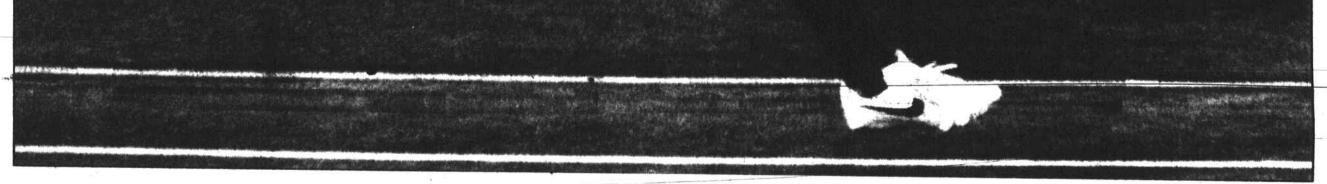


Photo by T-Lee

Since graduating from Appalachian State in '89, Miller has competed against the best women sprinters on the planet. The one thing she hasn't accomplished as a track athlete is being a member of America's Olympic team.

ca's squad in the 100 or 4 x 100 is a tough, tough task. The U.S. is traditionally very deep in the sprints and '92 is no different.

Gwen Torrence, Gail Dev. ers, Michelle Finn, Dannette Young, Inger Miller and Chryste Gaines are just a few of the notables who will compete in Louisiana.

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SEMI-PRO BASEBALL

Pond Giants play season opener tomorrow

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Ole' man time has a way of affecting everything and everyone. For the Winston-Salem

Pond Giants, time has clearly had an impact on its players. Years ago, the Pond Giants were among the elite teams in the world of semi-pro baseball.

semi-pros was one of the highest levels of baseball that a black player could reach. At the time, only white players were allowed

During that bygone era, the to play at the professional level. As a result, the Negro League and the semi-pro circuit was comprised of only black players. While many semi-pro teams

have come and gone over the years, the Pond Giants have endured. Now entering their 78th year, the team is the oldest, continuously operated semi-pro team in the country.

In '92, the team features only five blacks on its roster of 30-plus players. Even so, this

All of its five black players played in the Twin City League. The other members honed their skills in programs at Walkertown, Kernersville, Mineral Springs and North Forsyth. Several team members play at the college level.

