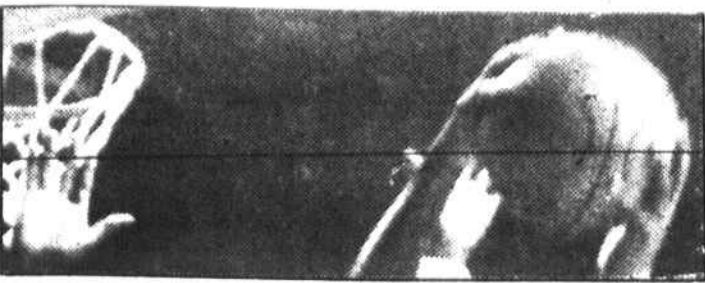


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Mount Tabor JV Girls Clinch Experience And Talent

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With 21 years of coaching experience under his belt, Mount Tabor JV girls coach Lanny Cook knows his business.

According to Cook, he has coached softball, baseball, and football, but has spent the last seven years applying his skills to the sport of basketball.

Cook has been a coach at Mount Tabor High School for nine years with a conference win in 1990-91 and several third place finishes in the tough 4-A conference.

An East Forsyth High School graduate, Cook continued his education earning a degree in physical education from Wake Forest in 1972, then a masters degree in physical education from A&T State University in 1977.

"For 14 years I have coached all boys sports, so this has been a nice change, a new adventure, and it's also been a very rewarding experience coaching the young ladies," Cook said.

"One thing about coaching a girl's team is you can never expect them to play every game the same; nothings consistent. We just play one game at a time.

"With a 4-1 conference record this season our team is very confident about any game we play. I stress a strong defense, and by hold-

ing the other team back to a certain number of points, we can win any game.

"I have an excellent group of young ladies to work with who all love playing the game. I believe as they advance to the varsity team, their experience will only enhance the program we already have and keep it at its present level," Cook added.

The JV ladies team consists of 11 players including: Courtney Craver, Katie Browder, Susie Browder, Arletha Leake, Vauren Davis, Varetta Hawkins, Leah Rose, Lauren Davis, Amie Hendley, Katie Paterson, Carmyn Glynn and Willette Crosby.

Picked by Coach Cook as the teams outstanding players were: Glynn, Paterson and Crosby.

"All the team players are very good and it was difficult to pick the top three, so choosing one as a star player would be impossible," Cook admitted.

"Glynn plays guard and is the ball handling expert for our team. She also handles herself very well when on the court.

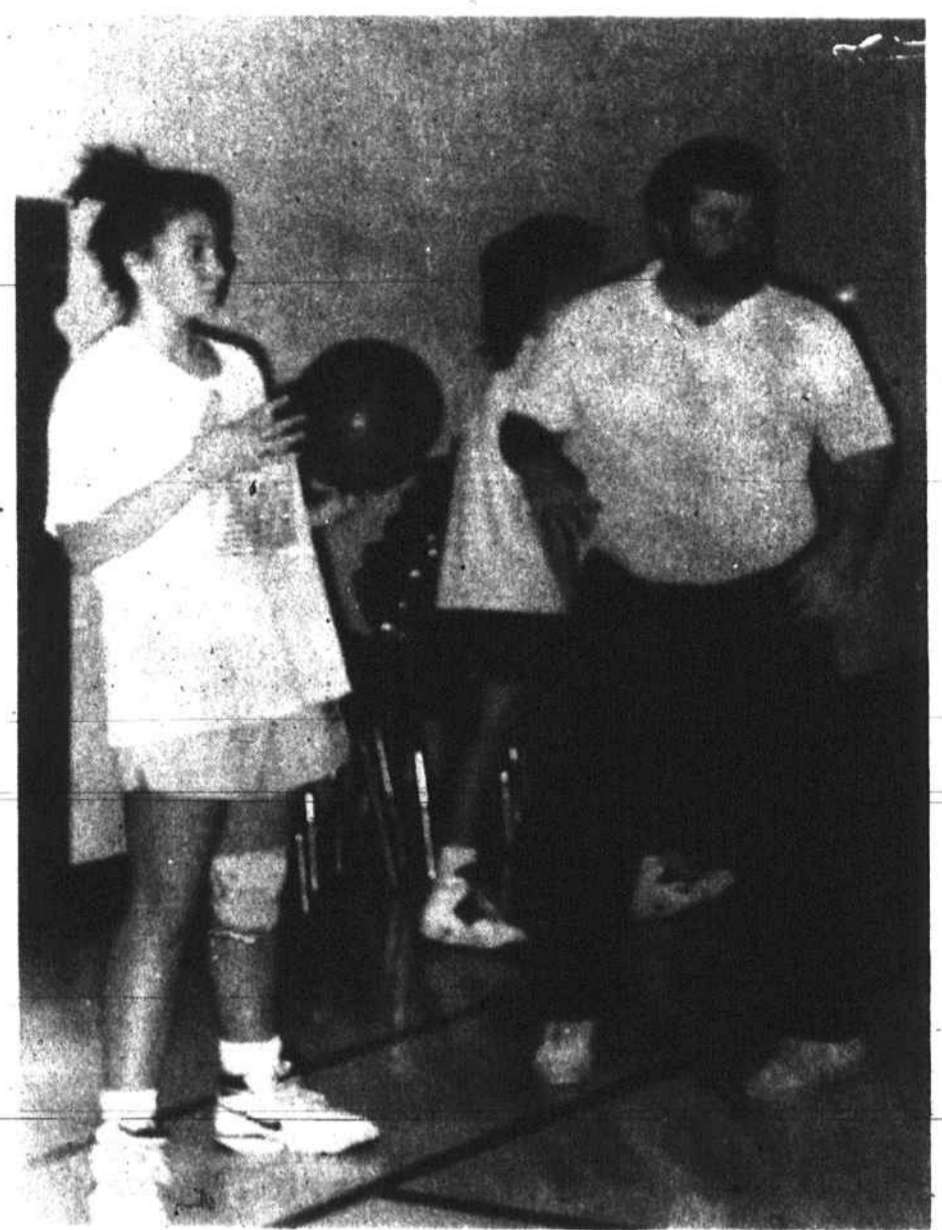
"Paterson is a guard also and gives 100 percent. She's very coachable and does anything asked of her.

"Crosby plays forward. She's the strong silent type with good

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Future athletes reach for the stars. Pictured left to right, Katie Paterson, Willette Crosby and Carmyn Glynn.



Mount Tabor JV Girl's Coach Lanny Cook packs 21 years experience in athletic programs.

East Forsyth Coach 12-2

Beeson Heading Toward Winning Season

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Phillip Beeson begins his third year at East Forsyth as the JV boys coach with an impressive record of 12-2 so far this season.

A graduate of East Forsyth himself, Beeson has returned to coach at his old stomping grounds along with the help of Assistant Coach Lance Sparrow.

Beeson graduated from Elon College in 1977 with an arts degree.

According to Beeson who played college football (quarterback), "We won the national play-offs every year."

"Our JV team has 15 players, with five returners: William Butler, Ryan Hanson, Brian Roberts, David Keller and Larry Williams," Beeson said.

"We play very good defensively, and our wins are contributed to a team effort. There isn't any individual stars, but a whole team concept, especially on defense. Our team plays real deep, and at least 12 of our 15 members see action during every game. During our Christmas tournament we defeated Mount Tabor for the championship by one point. I believe, so I feel we are

playing good ball.

"To pick a top player isn't easy, but I have to say it would be Tyson Paterson. He is 4'11 and is 97 pounds of the most outstanding point-guard material I have ever seen this year on the JV level. Paterson takes total control of the game; he's a great leader and an excellent team player," Beeson concluded.

According to Paterson, #10, "I'm in the ninth grade and have been playing basketball about two or three years. I like the competition and going to different schools to play.

"We have a close team. There are no I's only us. We can win as a team as long as we play this way.

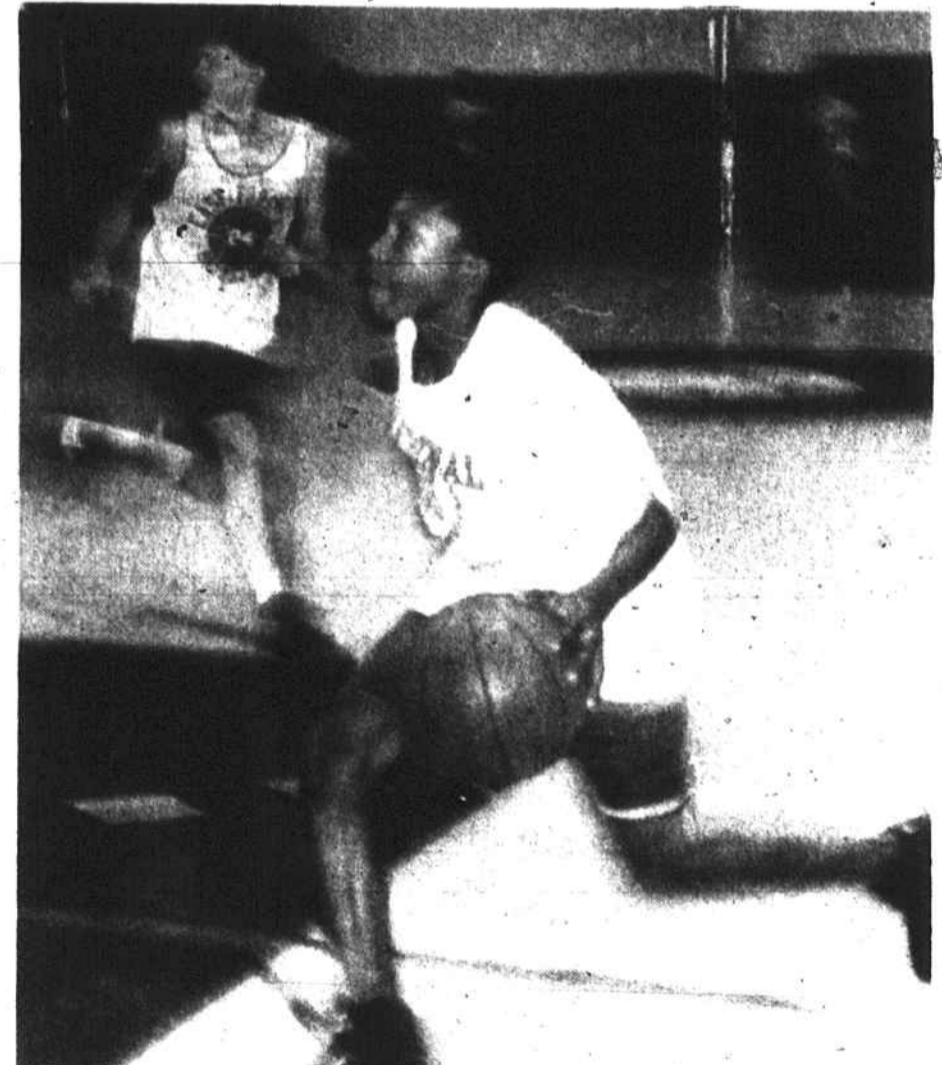
Point-guard is the position I wanted to play in basketball. At first I played football when I was 12 years-old. I played at the Winston Lake YMCA. We went to state but didn't make it.

Later I got picked by the Charlotte Royals to play basketball. There we made it to the nationals and came in first place. They said we were the first team in North Carolina to win the national championship. That's when I decided I really liked playing basketball.

"I'd like to go to college after



East Forsyth JV Boys Coach Phillip Beeson returns to his home school East Forsyth.



Tyson Paterson is recognized as the most outstanding point-guard, according to JV Coach Phillip Beeson.

I graduate from high school, but I'd not only my sports ability, but on my like for a college to look at me for academic skills," Tyson concluded.

Gaines Not Happy With WSSU's Performance

Coach Clarence "Bighouse" Gaines was not smiling after the game Monday night.

His Winston-Salem State Ram basketball team had just lost its second successive game, 80-60, to visiting Fayetteville State.

"We got our butts kicked good," he said. "Fayetteville State was a much better team tonight and it showed."

The Broncos, who were winning their 14th of the season against just 5 losses, actually trailed, 23-22, with 5:42 left in the first half of play.

The Rams played the visitors even for the first 14 minutes, as the contest was tied five times, the last at 13-all with 10:37 remaining in the first half.

Fayetteville ran off 5 successive points for an 18-13 lead, but WSSU came right back as Anthony Simes' 3-pointer pulled the Rams to within one at 18-17.

Antoine Glover's field goal put the Rams up by one point, 23-22, but that turned out to be the last WSSU point for nearly 14 minutes.

Fayetteville State scored the final 9 points of the half for a 31-23 margin at intermission.

They scored 14 more to open the second half and a 47-23 advantage with 12 minutes left, before Glover stopped the string with a rebound goal.

But the Broncos added 7 more and a 54-25 lead, before the Rams scored again to trail, 54-27.

After that, it was gun and run, as both teams blistered the nets, with the visitors connecting mainly on rebounds and inside plays. WSSU bombed away from 3-point range, hitting 9 times, but it was too little, too late.

Glover finished with 15 points, including a pair of treys. Louis Williamson had 14 points and also hit two 3-pointers. Patrick Herron and Casey each connected from 3-point range twice.

The loss was WSSU's 8th in 13 tries overall. They are 4-7 in CIAA play and 2-3 in Southern division play.

In Saturday's contest against Johnson C. Smith, the Golden Bulls hit the century mark in a 100-74 decision.

The visitors used their considerable size and weight advantage on the inside, as the smaller Ram defenders could do little to prevent it.



Rams Struggling

Coach Gaines is not at all pleased with the play of his Rams as the team fast approaches the CIAA tournament.