

# Evans Visits Sims Recreation Center

Silence is golden as the old saying goes, but last Thursday silence was the golden opportunity for students at the Learning Center of Sims Recreation Center to experience and witness the success of a star athlete.

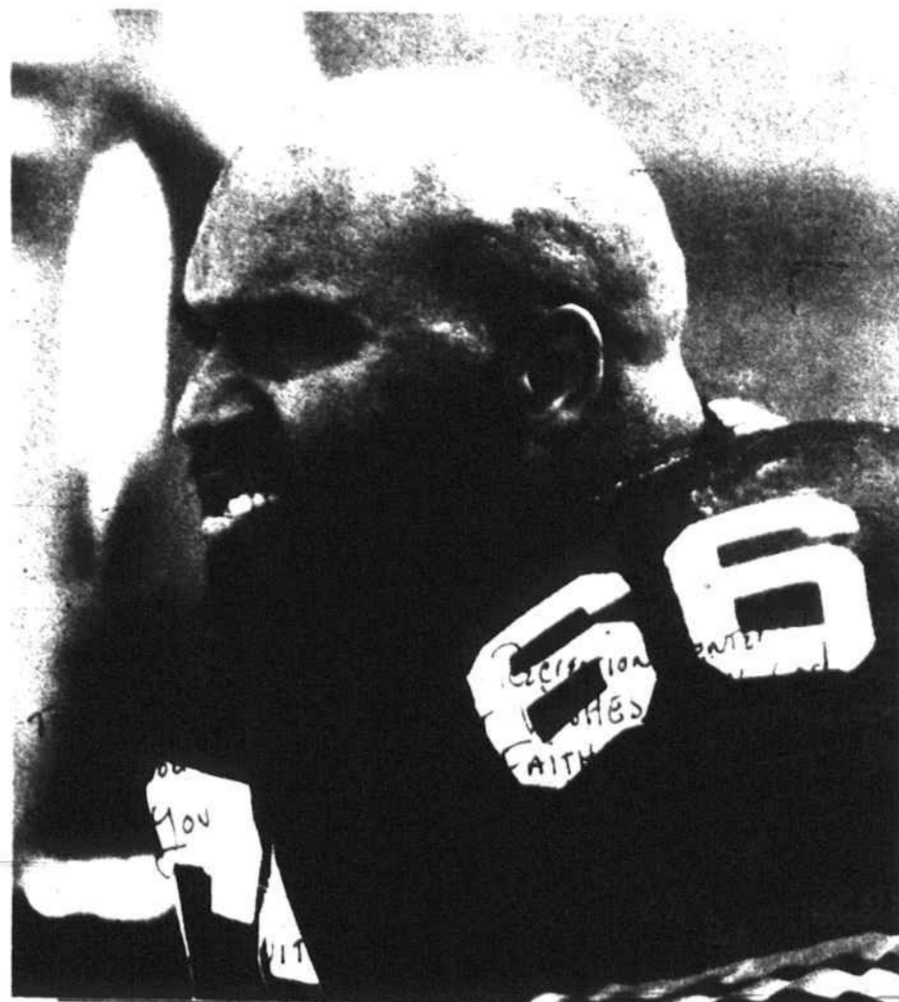
In a heart-to-heart discussion, Donald Evans, defensive end for the Pittsburgh Steelers shared his opinion of success and offered words of encouragement to the students of the Learning Center.

In just a few words he gave the students the motivation to accomplish any task and these words meant more than any teacher could ever say.

During the regular Thursday session of the Learning Center, Mr. Evans captivated the attention of approximately 35 students and teacher-volunteers as he spoke of his determination to become successful.

Evans, admonished the youth to be whatever they wanted to be. He emphasized the importance of staying in school and obtaining good grades.

Respect for those in authority was another main issue as he pleaded with the students to continue to participate in programs such as the Learning Center.



Pittsburgh Steeler Donald Evans #66.

## Final Registration Little League

Twin City Little League will launch its 1993 baseball campaign with a "Pig Pickin' and Bake Sale at East Winston Shopping Center on Saturday, April 3. The event, one of TCCLL's main fund raising activities, will be held from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m.

Melvin "Rip" Wilkins, TCCLL president said he hopes the community will turn out to support the league.

"This is a very important event for us from a stand point of finances," Wilkins said.

"This program reaches a lot of kids in the community and keeps a lot of children off the streets. This pig pickin' is a chance for people to get involved in doing something positive. We need all the help we can get.

"Our prices on this activity is very reasonable," Wilkins added.

"It also gives people a chance to come out and meet the people who are in charge of running the program. It has been a very successful event the last two years and we just hope that we get the same type of support we've had in the past."

"The League will also hold its final registration and tryouts this weekend. Tryouts will be held Friday, April 2, at Civitan Park, beginning at 5:30. Also, the league will hold a clinic for all current coaches and players at Civitan.

"Anyone interested in joining

any of TCCLL's programs is urged to come by and sign up. The program offers teams in boys and girls T-Ball (6-8), boys major league baseball (9-12), girls softball (9-12), senior league baseball (13-15), girls softball (13-15), boys big league baseball (16-18), and girls softball (16-18)," Wilkins said.

"TCCLL is making a special effort to get more girls involved in the program this year. We're really pushing the girls softball program this year. In the past girls have been reluctant to play baseball, but this is a way for them to learn about teamwork and staying physically fit. That's something that is really needed today. Some parents might think that it isn't ladylike, but we place emphasis on showing them that they can play sports and still be young ladies.

"Last year Twin City had 28 teams in its program, with more than 400 players participating. I think the program should get bigger and better each season.

"We're just beginning to scratch the surface. There's so much that this program can accomplish. This program teaches kids things that can be vital to their success. But without the public's support, we won't be able to do very much at all," Wilkins concluded.

For more information contact Twin City Little League at: 724-9090.

## Student of the Month

Tramond R. Cobb has been selected as student of the month for the Learning Center at Sim's Recreation Center. He is a seventh grade student at Wiley Middle School and is the son of Ms. Beverly Cobb. Tramond was also chosen as student of the month for the Globetrotter's Team at Wiley Middle School.

Tramond has proven to be an academic all-star at the Learning Center and is a model student for his peer group. He sets the pace for academic achievement by exemplifying honor roll grades and attendance. In past years he has been an honor roll student with very good behavior.

Tramond plays basketball for the Boy's Club-Sim's Recreation Center League and was recently selected as an all-star player for the basketball team at Wiley Middle School.

Tramond is co-operative and pleasant at the Learning Center. He has a very good attitude and always



Tramond Cobb

tries to do his best. Tramond is truly a progressive academic scholar and leader.

As a scholar and leader he meets the criteria need to become Student of the Month at the Learning Center. Therefore the staff and volunteers of Sim's Recreation Center take great pride in recognizing Tramond R. Cobb as student of the month for March at the Learning Center.

## April Fool's Day Basketball

The Housing Authority's Central office will play their Maintenance Department colleagues in a benefit basketball game on Thursday, April 1, at 6:30 p.m. in the Atkins Middle School gymnasium.

Proceeds from the game will assist our Youth Basketball program to purchase sneakers for players and cheerleaders.

Admission will be as follows: general-\$3; residents-\$2; and youth 18 and under-\$1.

Refreshments will be sold. Come out and support the benefit, if nothing else, have a good laugh on April Fool's Day as the Central Office "Sharp Shooters" face off the Maintenance "Bricklayers".

## Sims Center Announcements

Big Easter Egg Hunt and Games, Thursday, April 8, at Happy Hill Park located across from the W. C. Sims, Sr. Recreation Center, 1201 Alder Street, W.S.

It will be sponsored by W. C. Sims Sr. Recreation and The Happy Hill Garden Boy's Club 'Better you and Better me' program and American Post 453.

The hunt will begin at 11 a.m., ages: toddlers to 14 years-old. A big Juice Bowl will be played at the end of the Egghunt!!!

The William C. Sims, Sr. Recreation Center at 1201 Alder Street, will hold a Fashion Show & Talent Expression on Sunday, April 11, at 4 p.m.

All ages are welcome. If you are interested please contact Ms. Barbara Leak at 727-2837.

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### OF THE WEEK

Weston Travel is pleased to recognize James Smith as Our Ram of the Week.

Smith is a student/athlete at Winston-Salem State who has worked in the local community to make it a better place.

"I believe in education first and athletics second," said Smith. Smith, a man who brought determination and persistence to the football field, also leads a local team as an athletic director at the Salvation Army Boys' Club. He provides guidance and support to the young minds and bodies of the local community.

Smith is a positive role model to the young people around him. Weston Travel salutes James Smith for his commitment to the community.



James Smith

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