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THE CHRONICLE

1999 BLACK COLLEGE FOOTBALL (Results, Standings and Weekly Honors)

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UNDER THE BANNER

WHAT'S GOING ON IN AND AROUND BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS?

STEPPING

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WALKER LAUDED: Dr. Leroy Walker, who starred as a quarterback at Benedict College and graduated



LIFE STORY: Chro-

nicles Walker's rise

from humble begin-

sports world.

Book cover

from the school in 1940 before beginning a distinguished career in collegiate sports and athletic administration, had his #11 jersey retired in ceremonies at the school Oct. 22. Walker, who served as president of the United States Olympic Committee (USOC) from 1992-96, leading the American contingent into the 1996 Atlanta Olympics, was the first Benedict player to be named an all-American by the Pittsburgh Courier. He later became coach of 1956 Olympic nings to top of amateur 100-meter hurdles gold medal win-

ner Lee Calhoun and numerous other all-American track and field athletes while at North Carolina College (now NC Central) and went on to be the first African-American to be head Olympic track coach in 1976. He also served as head track coach for the national teams of Israel, Jamaica, Kenya and Ethiopia and served as four-year stint as chancellor of NC Central. His autobiography, An Olympic Journey: The Saga of An American Hero (ISBN 1-882180-92-5), was written with writer Charles Gaddy and published in 1998.

THE STAT CORNER

WHO ARE THE BEST PERFORMERS IN BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS?

Those left standing still have hurdles

After the dust cleared from last Saturday's showdown day, several teams were left standing and in best position to earn conference titles and postseason play. But they still have some work to do.

and an extra point block.

CIAA

Winston-Salem State got a 41-yard field goal with 34 seconds to play from senior placekicker Shawn Thomas Saturday to knock off Virginia State 17-14. The win puts them in the driver's seat for their first conference title since 1991 and gives them an outside chance for a spot in the Division II playoffs.

The Rams (5-0 CIAA, 5-2) are ranked eighth in the latest South Region poll and need to get into the top four to receive a playoff berth. With a home conference game

GAMES THIS WEEK

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1999

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Concord vs. West Va. State in Athens, WV	1:00p
Mansfield vs. Cheyney in Mansfield, PA	1:00p
Morehouse vs. Kentucky State in Atlanta, GA	1:30p
Pr. View A&M vs. Miss. Valley State in Pr. View, TX	1:30p
SW Assemblies of God vs. Langston in Waxahachi, TX	2:00p
Tennessee State vs. E. Kentucky in Nashville, TN	6:00p
CLASSICS	领
Fish Bowl	
Norfolk State vs. Howard in Norfolk, VA	1:30p

HOMECOMINGS (homecoming team listed first) 1:30p Albany State vs. Morris Brown in Albany, GA Bowie State vs. Fayetteville State in Bowie, MD 1:00p Elizabeth City State vs. Benedict in Elizabeth City, NC 2:00p Florida A&M vs. Delaware State in Tallahassee, FL 3:00p Fort Valley State vs. Savannah St. in Fort Valley, GA 1:30p Grambling State vs. Texas Southern in Grambling, LA 1:30p 2:00p Hampton vs. S.C. State in Hampton, VA 3:00p Jackson State vs. Ark.-Pine Bluff Jackson, MS 1:00p N.C. Central vs. Livingstone in Durham, NC Tuskegee vs. Clark Atlanta in Tuskegee, AL 1:00p 1:30p Virginia State vs. Virginia Union in Petersburg, VA Winston-Salem State vs. J.C. Smith in W-Salem, NC 2:00p TV GAMES

58th Magic City Classic (SWAC GOW - BET) Alabama State vs. Alabama A&M in Birmingham, AL 3:00p MEAC Game of the Week (HTS) Bethune-Cookman vs. N.C. A&T in Daytona Beach, FL7:00p

on the road Nov. 6 at Elizabeth City, they should be the season-ending Bayou Classic on Nov. 27. able to cruise to the title and Pioneer Bowl berth.

The playoff bid could hinge on their season-ending date (Nov. 13) in San Diego against SWAC and I-AA member Grambling State. Their biggest hurdle however, could be a ranking that has them, right now, behind Virginia Union, a team they beat 17-0 on Sept. 25.

SIAC

Jevon Tyler's game-winning field goal in overtime gave Fort Valley State a 31-28 win over defending league champion Tuskegee (3-1 SIAC, 5-2) Saturday. The win solidifies the Wildcats' bid for a return trip to the D-II playoffs and gives them a leg up on their first conference title since '92.

FVSU (4-0 SIAC, 8-0), ranked seventh nationally and second in the South Region, has non-conference dates against Savannah State (4-4) this week and Benedict on Nov. 6. While winning those two games are vital to maintaining their ranking, lurking down the road is their most important game, the traditional regular season finale Nov. 13 in Columbus, Ga., vs. Albany State.

If the 'Cats run the table and get the playoff bid and Tuskegee wins their remaining SIAC games, TU will make a return trip to the Pioneer Bowl.

SWAC

Jackson State's 28-18 win Saturday over Alabama A&M gives the Tigers a 3-0 division record with only one division game left, their traditional season-ender vs. Alcorn State Nov. 20 in Jackson. The Braves (1-0 SWAC East, 3-4) however, would have to get by both Miss. Valley State (Nov. 6) and Alabama A&M (Nov. 13) to set up the showdown.

Meanwhile in the West, Grambling's 24-19 win over Arkansas Pine Bluff Saturday raised their division record to 2-0 (5-2 overall) and keeps them tied with Southern (2-0, 8-0) and Texas Southern (2-0, 4-3). TSU is at Grambling this weekend with the winner is position to face Southern for the division

remaining Saturday against Johnson C. Smith and title. Southern has TSU on Nov. 13 and Grambling in MEAC

> MEAC leaders Florida A&M (5-0 MEAC, 5-2) and North Carolina A&T (4-0 MEAC, 6-1) appear headed for a Nov. 13 conference title showdown in Greensboro after they trounced competition this weekend.

FAMU humbled Hampton, 41-6, while A&T embarrassed Howard, 51-0. A&T appears to have the most dangerous road, travelling to Bethune-Cookman (2-2, 5-2) this week and entertaining improved Delaware State (3-1, 3-4) on Nov. 6. The Aggies end the season Nov. 20 in Charlotte vs. S. C. State.

FAMU hosts Del State this week, and ends with Bethune-Cookman Nov. 20. They have a key game at home on Nov. 6 against nationally-ranked Southern.

1. TENNESSEE STATE (7-0) - Needed fourth quarter score to down W. Kentucky, 28-21. NEXT: Hosting Eastern Kentucky

2. SOUTHERN (8-0) - Shut down Alcom State, 28-6. NEXT: Has the week off to prepare for Nov. 6 showdown with Florida A&M.

3. FLORIDA A&M (5-2) - Humbled Hampton, 41-6. NEXT: Home coming vs. Delaware State.

4. JACKSON STATE (5-2) - Handled Alabama A&M on road, 28-18. NEXT: Arkansas-Pine Bluff comes in for homecoming.

5. NORTH CAROLINA A&T (6-1) Steamrolled Howard at Aggie homecoming 51-0. NEXT: At Bethune-Cookman

6. FORT VALLEY STATE (8-0) - Field goal in OT downs Tuskegee, 31-28. NEXT: Savannah State comes in for homecoming.

7. WINSTON-SALEM STATE (5-2) - Last minute field goal to get by

Va. State, 17-14. NEXT: J. C. Smith visits for homecoming. 8. GRAMBLING STATE (5-2) - Upended Ark. Pine Bluff, 24-19. NEXT: Homecoming vs. Texas Southern.

9. VIRGINIA UNION (5-2) - Knocked off Norfolk State, 21-9. NEXT: At Virginia State.

(tie) HAMPTON (5-3) - Continued downward spiral with 41-6 loss to FAMU. NEXT: Homecoming vs. S. C. State.

10. TUSKEGEE (5-2) - Suffered overtime loss to Fort Valley, 31-28. NEXT: Homecoming vs. Clark Atlanta.

OTHERS: ALBANY STATE (5-2), BETHUNE-COOKMAN (5-2).

PRESEASON HOOP PICKS

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ALL-CIAA MEN

Marcus Riddick, William Fitzgerald, ECSU; Lemans Shingler, Wylie Pettie; JCSU; Rodney Gidney, LC; Jimmy Boston, Brett Harpter, NCCU; Derick Singleton, SPC; Christian Anderson, Chandar Bingham, VUU; Marcus Best, Larry Patterson,

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Hampton	S. C. State	
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Florida A&M	Norfolk State	
Coppin State	Hampton	
Norfolk State	Bethune-Cookman	
Morgan State	MdEastern Shore	
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Md. Eastern Shore	Florida A&M	
NC A&T	NC A&T	
Delaware State	Delaware State	
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ALL-MEAC WOMEN

FIRST TEAM - Malveata Johnson, NC A&T; Kiesha Brooks, Coppin State; Felecia Bryant, Hampton; Liesha Mitchell, Coppin State; Akita Healey, Florida A&M

SECOND TEAM - Yetta Enobakhare, Howard; Monique Liddell, Morgan State; Taisha Thomas, Norfolk State; LaRuby Marshall, Delaware State; Chanell Washington, Howard PLAYER OF THE YEAR - Malveata Johnson

ALL-MEAC MEN

FIRST TEAM - Damian Woolfolk, Norfolk State; Jimmy Fields, Morgan State; Tarvis Williams, Hampton; Dexter Hall, S. C. State; Will Brooks, Norfolk State SECOND TEAM - Delvin Thomas, Bethune-Cookman; Val Ned, Bethune-Cookman; Duane Johnson, S. C. State; Freddie Cole, Bethune-Cookman; James Jones, S. C. State PLAYER OF THE YEAR - Damian Woolfolk

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Sixth black college coach to reach 200 victories

Hard work, dedication pay off for FAMU's Joe

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Florida A&M coach Billy Joe is keeping fast company these days.

Joe, in his sixth season with the Rattlers, registered the 200th victory of his 26-year career Saturday in Florida A&M's 41-6 win over Hampton.

He is the sixth Division I-AA coach with 200 or more victories - Eddie Robinson (Grambling State, 408), Roy Kidd (Eastern Kentucky, 292), Tubby Raymond (Delaware, 282), John Merritt (Tennessee State, 232) and Darrell Mudra (Northern Iowa, 200) are the others. He is No. 3 among active I-AA coaches in victories behind Kidd and Raymond, and the sixth black college coach with 200 victories, joining Robinson, Arnett Mumford (233), Fred "Pop" Long (227), Cleve Abbott (202), Merritt and Florida A&M's legendary former coach Alonzo "Jake" Gaither (203).

"I haven't really given that much thought to 200 victories," says Joe. "I'd like to tell you I'm completely ecstatic and elated ... but I can't. It doesn't really seem like it's a milestone in my career because I haven't given it that much attention. If you coach long enough, you're going to get 100, 200, 300, 400 victories."

Joe, 59, attributes much of his coaching success to methods and strategies he learned from St. Louis Rams coach Dick Vermeil. Joe was a member of Vermeil's staff when Vermeil coached the Philadelphia Eagles in the late '70s and early '80s.

Being with him was like earning my doctorate degree in coaching," says Joe. "I learned logistics, planning, management, structuring an offense, directing players and a plethora of schemes. Sid Gillman, generally regarded as the father as the modern passing game, was on that staff. I lived in his office. 1 tape. The coaches who go home at 7, 8 or learned from the masters. To this day I'm 9 aren't gong to see that touchdown.



Florida A&M Sports Photo

JOE: Has Rattlers atop MEAC standings and in the hunt for Rattlers fourth straight NCAA Div. I-AA playoff berth.

still using terminology I learned with the Eagles."

Joe also picked up Vermeil's penchant for working long hours and sleeping in his office.

"I rarely go home," says Joe. "I'm on campus 24 hours a day most of the week. In football you have to try and get an edge because most of the coaches know the same thing. The edge you can get is to outwork your opponent . . . With the Eagles we used say the (New York) Giants may have better facilities. The (Pittsburgh) Steelers may have better players. The (Dallas) Cowboys may have more money. But one thing we all have the same is time. The only way to get an edge is to outwork them. That's what we did.

'At 3 o'clock, 4 o'clock in the morning we'd be watchng tape and Dick would say there's a touchdown. And I'd be darned on Sunday if that wasn't a touchdown. If we hadn't been there at 3 o'clock or 4 o'clock in the morning we wouldn't have gotten that touchdown because we wouldn't have seen it on

watch the same tape 100 times, you're going to see something you didn't see the other 99 times. I do believe in working long and hard."

Joe is not one of those people who dreamed of coaching his entire life. In fact, coaching was the one thing he didn't want to do.

"Coming out of football, I thought to become a coach was the worst thing a person could do," says Joe, who played six seasons in the American Football League with Denver, Miami and the New York Jets. "As a player you saw where coaches didn't make a lot of money. They were fired every two, three or four years. They had to move from community to community, city to city, state to state, across the country. It was a thankless job and I really didn't want any part of it."

An economics major as an undergraduate at Villanova, Joe worked briefly as a stockbroker, an investment broker and sales representative after a knee injury cut short his pro football career in 1969

"None of those jobs excited me because I'm not a person who is motivated by money," says Joe. "Money doesn't motivate me to perform better. I was disappointed with all of those jobs."

Joe eventually found his calling when he was asked to serve as a volunteer coach at Cheyney State (Pa.). He stayed there seven years, before 13 dominating years at Central State where he compiled a 120-29-4 mark which included two NAIA national titles and two runner-up finishes. He's posted a 49-18 mark at FAMU.

"Once I got my hands into it, there was no turning back," he says. "It was something I could do for free. If someone would feed and clothe me, I could coach for nothing.

"I discovered that coaching was something that was exciting. It was

Every time you watch a tape, even if you something that was worthwhile to me because you have an opportunity to impact on young people's development, their maturity and growth. To me that is personally rewarding. That fuels my personal engine.

> "Once I got involved, I knew I was doing something very special. You see a young kid 17-18 years old come into your program. He's scared and immature. He's not as well developed as he's going to be socially, academically and spiritually. During the course of four years, you have the opportunity to change that young man. Once he leaves and comes back to you 10-15 years later and says now I'm a doctor, lawyer, teacher, preacher and thanks very much for doing what you did or saying what you said to me. You are partly responsible for who I am and what I am now. Those kinds of comments bring tears to your eyes. That's what football is all about.'

Joe has taken the Rattlers to the I-AA playoffs each of the last three seasons. The passing game is the Rattlers' signature, and their Gulf Coast offense isn't the kind of attack you would expect from a former romping, stomping fullback like Joe.

Florida A&M uses four or five wideouts on every snap. They average 40 pass attempts. Their point totals look more like what you would find in basketball. This season, they've defeated Norfolk State 56-7, South Carolina State 76-17 and Morgan State 66-10.

"The Gulf Coast offense evolved into what it is because of resources we have," says Joe. "In the state of Florida it's easy to recruit skilled football players. We have three major institutions (Miami, Florida and Florida State), four if you include Central Florida, down here. They cannot get all the skilled athletes down here. If you have 50 great receivers in the state, that 50th one oftentimes is just as good as the first receiver."