

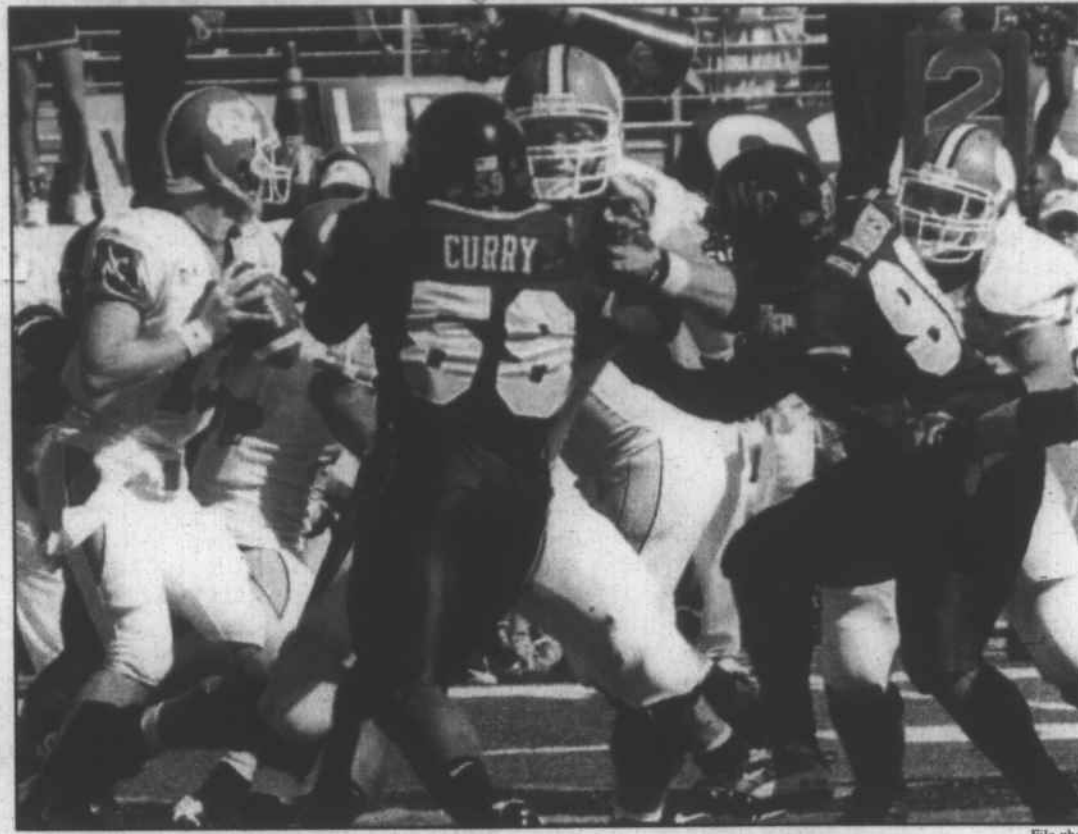
# Wake's Curry named to Lott Trophy Watch List

CHRONICLE STAFF REPORT

Wake Forest senior linebacker Aaron Curry is among 42 of the nation's top collegiate defensive players who have been named to the 2008 Lott Trophy Watch List.

Curry is a 6-3, 240-pound senior from Fayetteville. He was second on the club with 99 tackles last year and was the team leader in tackles for losses with 13.5. Curry had four interceptions and returned them for a school-record 226 yards, including three touchdowns. Curry was a second team All-ACC selection in 2007 and his three touchdown returns matched the NCAA record for interception returns by a linebacker.

There are seven repeat nominees for the award, including James Laurinaitis of Ohio State, a finalist last year. The other players nominated for a second straight year are Jonathan Casillas of Wisconsin,



Here, Wake's Aaron Curry rushes a UNC quarterback during a game last season.

Maurice Crum, Jr. of Notre Dame, Brian Cushing of USC, Zack Follett of Cal, Nic Harris of Oklahoma and Darryl Richard of Georgia Tech.

Thirty-five different schools are represented on the Watch List.

Named after Hall of Famer Ronnie Lott, The Lott Trophy is awarded to college football's Defensive IMPACT Player of the Year. Now in its fourth year, The Lott Trophy is the first college football award to equally recognize athletic performance and the personal character attributes of the player.

Sponsored by The Pacific Club IMPACT Foundation, the award is given to a player who exhibits the same characteristics Lott embodied during his distinguished career: Integrity, Maturity, Performance, Academics, Community and Tenacity.

David Pollack of Georgia won the initial Lott Trophy in

2004. DeMeco Ryans of Alabama won the award in 2005 Daymeion Hughes of Cal was the recipient in 2006 and Glenn Dorsey of LSU in 2007. Georgia, Alabama, Cal and LSU each received \$25,000 for their general scholarship funds. In four years, the Pacific Club IMPACT Foundation has donated more than \$450,000 to various charities, including the four universities.

Voters for the award include selected members of the national media, previous finalists, the Board of Directors of the Pacific Club IMPACT Foundation. The IMPACT Foundation Board of Advisers comprised of many retired NFL players and Master Coaches, a distinguished group of former head college coaches.

The winner will be announced at a gala black-tie banquet at The Pacific Club in Newport Beach, Ca. on Dec. 14.

## LADY STARS CONTINUE TO SHINE



Photo by Tim Wilson

The High Point Lady Stars 9U won the YBOA East Regional title on April 13 in Elkin. Some of the local standouts of the young AAU squad are Tierra Wilson, Sylena Johnson, Makayla Wolfe, Briana Carter and Kristen Saunders.

## FCD to host weekend track meet

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

Forsyth Country Day School (FCDS) is hosting a track meet on Saturday, called the "Fury Relays." The meet, which will become an annual event, is sponsored by Bradford Mortgage Company.

"The meet will have the unique format of nearly every event being a relay," said FCDS track coach Noel Ruebel. "This is going to be a lot of fun."

The standard 4x100, 4x400, and 4x800 relays will be run along with some different configurations such as the 4x1600, the sprint medley (200-200-400-800), the distance medley (1200-400-800-1600), and the co-ed shuttle hurdle relay. In the field events, three people will be allowed to enter for each school, with the performance

of their best two making up their "relay" score.

FCDS is hosting 11 teams on campus Saturday. They include Providence Day, Covenant Day, O'Neal School, Cary Academy, Charlotte Latin, Wesleyan Christian, Southwest Guilford, Bishop McGuiness, Victory Christian, Charlotte Country Day and Trinity Episcopal. Most of the schools are in communities where Bradford Mortgage has offices.

"This is a Fury Club signature event of Forsyth Country Day School's Track and Field program," Ruebel said. "It will be an event that teams from around the state will look forward to attending for years to come."

Brad Church, President and Co-CEO of Bradford Mortgage, said, "This will be a great event with a large

number of good teams participating. It demonstrates the kind of innovation that has helped define Forsyth Country Day as one of the region's best schools. Bradford Mortgage is pleased to be the signature sponsor and we encourage track and field fans to come out and watch."

Also, Olympian and FCD graduate Blake Russell is expected to be at the weekend track. Blake was named 2006 Cross Country Athlete of The Year and received the Doris Heritage Award from the USATF Cross Country Running Council. Track and Field News ranked Blake first in the US for the 3000m, fourth in the 5000m, and seventh in the 1500m for 2006.

The track meet will begin at 10, and the final event (4x400 relay) is scheduled to start at 3 p.m.

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