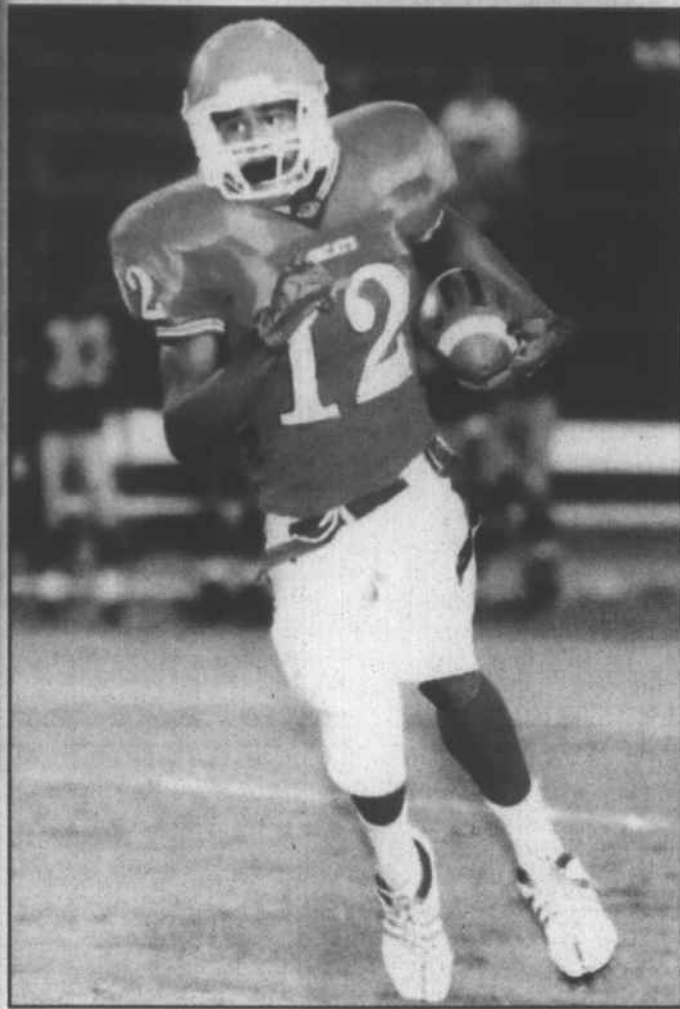


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File photo  
Glenn senior wide out Chase Ingram is one of the most underrated players around this year.

## MOST UNDERRATED AND SKILLED

I mentioned that I might come out with a list of the city's most underrated skilled players last week. Quite a few people hit me up to let me know that I should just that. One person said that I should come up with a longer list of skilled players.

That was a good idea too. But I'm kind of satisfied with my list from last week. Besides, it's my top 10. One guy got mad at me because I didn't mention his son. The crazy part about that is I really like his son. And, I used to like him. But I only had 10 spots. That's like asking someone which candidate they wanted to win the presidential election and then getting mad after hearing their choice. It's my choice.

I simply decided to name 12 of the most underrated skilled (offensive) players around here.

Some of you are probably wondering what makes a varsity football player underrated? It's simple. There's a list of guys that you always hear or read about. But there's another group that are doing

their thing that don't get nearly the attention as some of the other skilled players in the city. Like I said, you may not read about them in *The Journal* or hear about them on WXII.

My number 12 underrated skilled position player is Mt. Tabor's Robert Willis. Talk about skills. That guy has some great speed too. Ask the

Reynolds defense. I'm really impressed with his skills. He needs to work on his vision and slowing down long enough to cut. But he's still good.

Number 11 is Atkins running back Jeremy Orr. I really like Orr. He runs hard, and seemingly has good vision. He's one of those guys that opposing players show love to after a game because most teams respect the work he's put in throughout a game.

Number 10 goes to two East Forsyth backs. I'm going with Chris Smith and Josh Kellums. Smith is a guy the

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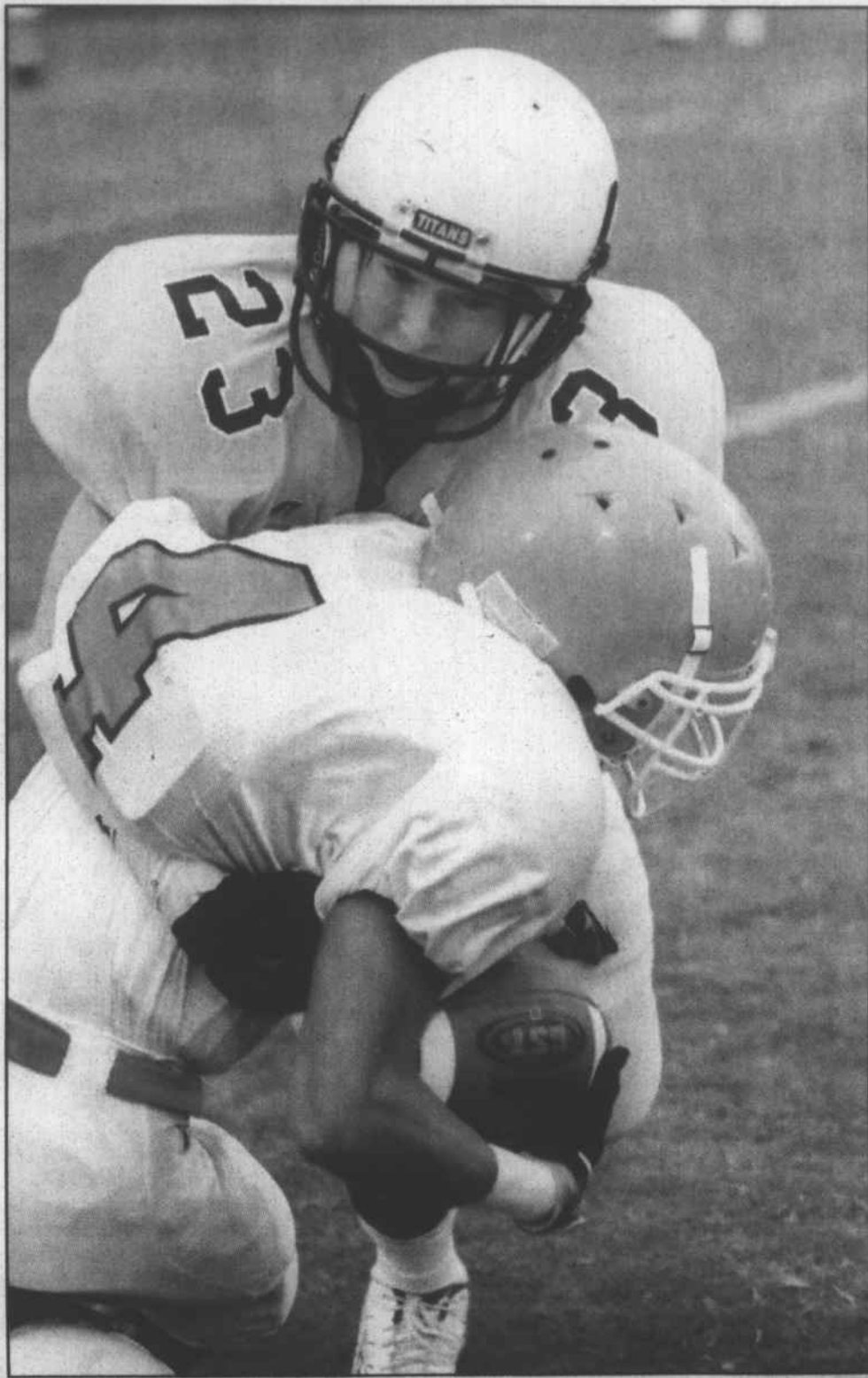


Photo by Charlie Pfaff  
West Forsyth sophomore defensive back lays a hard hit on a Davie County receiver during the JV Game of the Week last Thursday. The Titans JV squad will travel to North Forsyth to battle the Vikings tonight at 6.

## CIAA honor awarded to a former Yellowjacket

CHRONICLE STAFF REPORT

Former Carver defensive lineman Calvin Cunningham led three Elizabeth City State University football players with CIAA weekly honors for their play over the weekend.

Cunningham was joined by Dexter Manley and Daniel Mendez with CIAA Players of the Week selections at their respective posi-



Cunningham

tions, according to a release by the CIAA Office Monday.

Calvin Cunningham, who's a freshman for the Vikings, got his first career conference honor as the CIAA Rookie of the Week for his contributions this past Saturday. He had his best day in a Viking uniform with eight tackles (one solo, seven assisted) and a half a sack for a loss of four yards and two tackles of 20 yards against the Bulldogs.

ECSU wide out Dexter Manley has been named CIAA Receiver of the Week for the third time this season. This past Saturday he caught three passes for 126 yards and three touchdowns. The scores went for 29 yards, 88 yards (career high) and 9 yards in the Vikings' 29-28 come from behind

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## City employees enjoy hardwood battle

BY ANTHONY HILL  
THE CHRONICLE

Winston-Salem sanitation employee Darrell Moody and W-S fire department engineer Gerrod Hardy remember the days when they would head to a local recreation center and play some heated — yet fun basketball games during days that it may be raining outside.

Hardy used to work with Moody and the rest of the sanitation department during those memorable times. He's since joined the fire department. But the two still talk smack to each other and reminisce about the fun battles they had on the hardwood. The two recently passed each other during a route and briefly talked about playing a charity game between the fire department and sanitation division.

"The two departments actually used to play each other," Hardy said. "We haven't played in about three years, though. I saw Moody on a route and we talked about getting the game going again. I'm glad we did. It was really exciting. We have a little rivalry with each other, and that

makes it a little more fun. Plus, it was all for a good cause. This year we donated money to Second Harvest of Northwest North Carolina. We pick a different charity every year."



Moody

Moody added: "The fact that this was for charity made it even more special. It was also the first game of a citywide tournament that we'd like to form. We're trying to get different teams from various departments to form a citywide tournament. I've already talked with city manager Lee Garrity about it, and he said to let him know when everything is finalized. Right now, we're doing it for fun."

The special charity game started a little later than expected due to the members of the sanitation department arriving to the Winston Lake Family YMCA late.

"Yeah, they were late," Hardy jokingly said.

"I told them that's why our trash is never picked up on time. Then I said it's a shame when the mailman beats trash man. But they had a late run to come out here and slip by us. They had some momentum. It was a fun game,

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## BEST OF BOTH WORLDS

### Porsche Jones teams with trainer Derrick Speas

BY ANTHONY HILL  
THE CHRONICLE

Porsche Jones had a vision two years ago. The former Wake Forest and Carver basketball star recognized the direction girl's basketball was shifting to. She noticed that a lot more college recruiters were looking for girls with more athleticism. Jones then asked trainer Derrick Speas to help her with a basketball clinic — teaching speed and agility drills and techniques to the girls that participated. The two recently joined to form a different kind of training program called The Best of Both World's Athletic Training. The program is comprised of Next Level All-Sport Training and B.O.N.D. Inc.

"We're trying to continue to build on the concept we came up with two years ago," Jones said. "Two years ago I asked Derrick to help me

incorporate speed and agility with basketball training. I still have my AAU team, and various girls that I train. Derrick still has his clients. This is simply a way to expand and train more kids."

Speas added: "We were both definitely trying to expand. I know I wanted to do something a little different. We've been working together for two years now, doing her camps. By us coming together, I think we're going to give more kids an opportunity to train under us."

"I'm excited to be working with Porsche on a bigger scale," Speas continued. "I'm always for giving back. With this program we're able to share our knowledge to more kids. And, we're not just training kids. We're mentoring kids, teaching them life skills and sharing the value of education. We'd love to be able to create more Chris Paul's and Porsche Jones' along the

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Photo by Anthony Hill  
Porsche Jones and Derrick Speas are ready to help more young athletes.