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The 2016 Lash/Chronicle champion Mt. Tabor Spartans pose with Cheryl Lindsay of Hanesbrands (far left).

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Mt. Tabor crowned champs of 2016 Lash/Chronicle tournament

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The championship game of the 2016 Lash/Chronicle tournament between the Mt. Tabor Spartans and the Reagan Raiders had the makings of a great game. Both teams progressively got better each weekend of the tournament and have played the most consistent basketball of all the teams in this year's field.

Starting off, the Raiders were a little tight, missing shots they normally would make, creating an early 7-0 deficit. Reagan was finally able to get on the board with a little over three minutes left in the first quarter. Jakob Moore of Mt. Tabor made his impact felt by crashing the offensive boards and not letting Reagan get any clear shots off in the paint. The Spartans led 11-3 after one in a defen-

Tournament uses procedure to choose team and MVP

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During the 2016 Lash/Chronicle tournament there was magnificent play from a number of players from several teams.

The players selected for the All-Tournament Team and the Most Valuable Player (MVP) were selected by analyzing the complete data from all of the games of the tournament.

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sive battle.

The stellar defense from both sides continued into the second quarter. Mt. Tabor seemed to take advantage of any defensive lapse that Reagan made. Jordan Hunter of Mt. Tabor made some clutch shots toward the end of the half where the Spartans led 19-9 in a low scoring game to that point.

In the third quarter, Mt. Tabor turned it up a notch both offensively and defensively. They kept the Raiders off balance and to add insult to injury for Reagan, Aaron Muse hit a three-point shot from half court as time expired to end the third quarter. That shot gave Mt. Tabor a 33-17 lead heading into the final quarter.

Reagan made a run in the fourth quarter to bring the score to 35-29. That would be as close as the Raiders

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Semi-final games bring unexpected results

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Thursday's semi-final games were highly anticipated following the great basketball everyone was able to witness in the consolation games earlier that afternoon. Unfortunately for East Forsyth and Parkland, they did not show up with their best efforts Thursday evening.

As the Number Two seed coming into the tournament, East Forsyth easily handled West Forsyth in

the quarterfinals and seemed to have the momentum in their game against Mt. Tabor. The Spartans had tough victories against Walkertown and Winston-Salem Prep prior to their game against the Eagles.

As soon as the game started, one thing was evidently clear: East Forsyth would have trouble with the size Mt. Tabor had in their front court. Early on, Jakob Moore, Duncan Smits and Dillon Bullard were clear mismatches

down on the block for any Eagle defender. Combine their size with the matchup 2-3 zone the Spartans deployed and it was tough sledding offensively for East Forsyth in the first half.

The second half was no different as the Spartans continued to pound the ball down low. To make matters worse for the Eagles, the Muse brothers, Andrew and Aaron, started to get hot from downtown. The Spartans cruised down the

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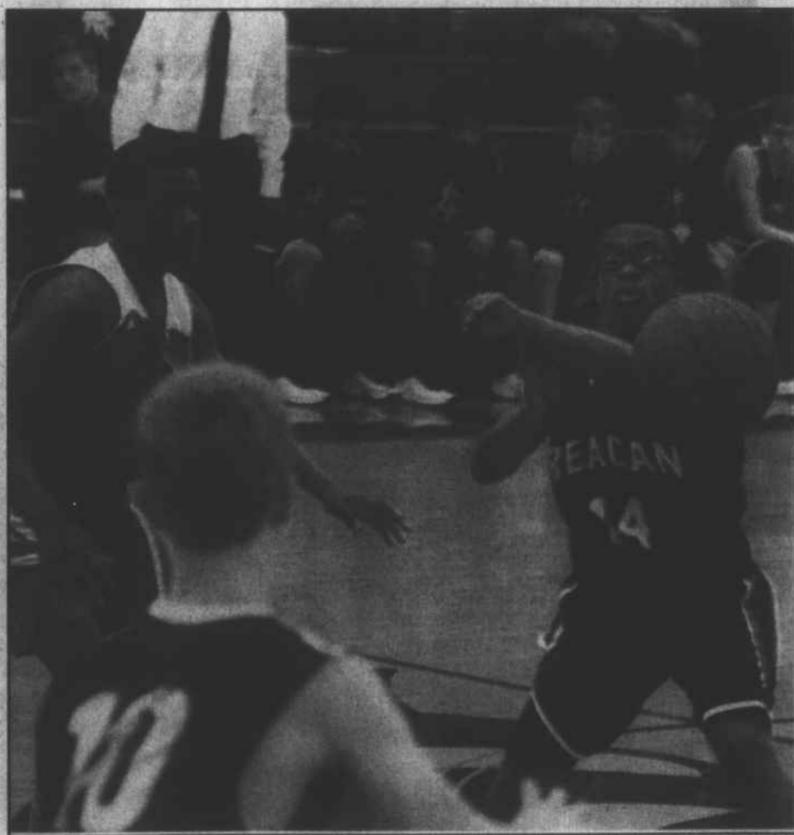


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Kameron Hall of Reagan, No. 14 in black, passes the ball to his teammate.

Last day of consolation games brought highs and lows

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Friday, Dec. 23, brought about the final day of the Lash/Chronicle tournament. The day included the remaining consolation games along with the championship and third place games. For the squads in the consolation games, some teams showed up and others seemed to just mail it in.

After giving up a 20-point lead and losing to Glenn less than 24 hours prior to their game against Thomasville, West Forsyth had two options: tuck their tails and run or show up and play to the best of their abilities. They chose the latter.

They seemed to have learned their les-

son about staying focused as they led 21-11 after one. Thomasville was able to stay within striking distance in the first half by crashing the offensive boards and getting second-shot opportunities. The third quarter was another story because the Titans started the half on an 18-0 run that blew the game wide open. The Bulldogs played tough throughout but never recovered from the run and fell 96-58.

"We really needed this and hopefully we can use this momentum over the break and come back in January with a strong rest of the season," said West Forsyth assistant coach Michael Porter. "I was very impressed with the second half, and

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Photo by Timothy Ramsey
Nick Adams of Atkins, No. 5 in white, attempts to break the press applied by the Carver defender.