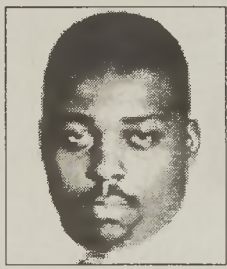


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BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS PAGE



NSU Sports Photo
GREEN: Second Norfolk State player to receive top black college honor.

PIONEER BOWL IN WORKS

▼ NCAA TO VOTE ON PROPOSAL FOR DIV. II BLACK COLLEGE BOWL GAME

BLACK COLLEGE BASKETBALL (Men's Standings, Results and Weekly Honors for men and women)

SCORES

KEY GAMES

JAN. 6
Albany State 90, Alabama A&M 85
JC Smith 90, Elizabeth City 80

JANUARY 7
Shaw 73, N. C. Central 57
Hampton 78, S. C. State 58

JANUARY 9
N. C. A&T 59, W-S State 54
S. C. State 92, Coppin State 88

JANUARY 11
Alabama A&M 98, Kentucky State 80
Alabama State 67, Southern 66
Albany State 94, Fort Valley St. 81
Beth. Cookman 76, Delaware St. 59
Bowie State 86, JC Smith 74
Coppin State 76, Hampton 69
Elizabeth City 89, Va. State 86
FAMU 83, Md.-Eastern Shore 79, OT
Fayetteville St. 83, Livingstone 69
Grambling 70, Prairie View 67
Jackson State 70, Alcorn St. 58
Lynn 87, St. Augustine's 73
Miss. Valley 117, Texas St. 107, 3 OT
NC A&T 84, Morgan State 63
NC Central 87, WSSU 76
SC State 73, Howard 64
St. Paul's 66, Norfolk State 63

CIAA

CIAA PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

LAFONTE MOSES - St. Augustine's - In three games, had 73 points, 17 rebounds and four steals. Best: 30 pts. vs. JC Smith.

BLANKA BEARDON - St. Augustine's - In two games, had 56 points, 12 rebounds and 11 assists. Her best game was 29 points, five rebounds vs. JC Smith.

MEAC

MEAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

RODERICK BLAKNEY - Soph., G, SC State - Had 76 points, 21 rebounds and 7 assists in 2-1 week. Best: 34 points on 10-11 FG, 14-15 FT in win over Coppin State.

AQUENDA CLARK, FAMU - Had total of 48 points and 24 rebounds in wins over South Florida and UMES. Best: 34 points vs. UMES.

SIAC

SIAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

MICHAEL DOUGLAS - Ky. State - Averaged 11 points, 5 rebounds

MARQUES STERLING - Savannah St. - Averaged 19.7 points in 3 games

ANGEL LEWIS - Kentucky State -

DANIELLE RHYNES - Savannah St.

KWANA GRAVES - Morris Brown

SWAC

SWAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

ANTHONY DAVIS and **FARAGI PHILLIPS** - Mississippi Valley - Davis had 25 points, 10 boards, 7 assists, 2 steals and a block. Phillips has 28 points, 9 rebounds, 4 assists in 26 minutes in triple overtime 117-107 win over Texas Southern.

KIMBERLY HOLLAND - F, Southern - Had 27 points in 83-78 win over Alabama State. Hit on 9-14 field goals, 4-7 three pointers and 5-6 free throws.

BCSP HOOP RANKINGS

1. Miss. Valley (8-5)
2. NC Central (10-1)
3. Coppin State (4-6)
4. St. Augustine's (8-2)
5. Clark Atlanta (7-2)
6. Alabama A&M (8-2)
7. Texas Southern (7-8)
8. St. Paul's (6-2)
9. Albany State (9-3)
10. Grambling (7-8)

UNDER THE BANNER

WHAT'S GOING ON IN AND AROUND BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS

BUTTS IN THE SEATS: Black colleges and black college conferences were once again champions in home football attendance on NCAA Div. I-AA and II levels. Black colleges finished in the top three spots amongst I-AA schools, and took home three of the top five places in Div. II. Black college conferences finished 1-2 in Div. II, and 1-3 in Div. I-AA. **Alcorn State** led all Div. I-AA schools in attendance for the second time (1994), nosing out perennial leader **Jackson State** with **North Carolina A&T** finishing third. Black colleges claimed six of the top ten spots. The **Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC)** won its 19th consecutive I-AA attendance title averaging 15,405 per game. The **Mid Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC)** finished third, behind the Southern Conference. In Div. II, **Norfolk State** won its sixth attendance title since 1980 averaging 15,676 this year. Black college teams claimed four of the top ten spots. The **Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SIAC)** repeated as Div. II conference champion with its teams averaging 6,750 per game. The **Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (CIAA)** finished second.

CIAA TV: The CIAA television schedule will televise four games live on local stations and tape delayed on Home Team Sports. The games are: Jan. 18, Elizabeth City at Norfolk State (8 pm, 11:30); Feb. 1, Norfolk State at Virginia Union (2 pm, 12 midnight); Feb. 8, JC Smith at Fayetteville State (8 pm, 10 pm) and Feb. 15, Virginia Union at NC Central (4 pm, 10 pm).

Green wins award as best black college player

Huge **Norfolk State** defensive lineman, **John Green**, was named Dec. 10 in Spirit Award ceremonies in Los Angeles, as the recipient of the **Paul "Tank" Younger Award** as the best player in black college football, the second consecutive Spartan to receive the award.

Green, chosen from among six players picked as the best at their position, registered 14 sacks while posting 96 tackles, 52 of them solos for the Spartans during an 8-3 season.

Twenty-four of his tackles led to 135 yards in losses. He also recovered five fumbles and forced two others. ESPN Up Close host Roy Firestone made the presentation. The other five selectees received Spirit Awards.

Green, at 6-2, 315, possesses excellent speed for his size and is expected to be a high NFL draft pick. Former NSU receiver **James Roe**, currently of the NFL's Baltimore Ravens, received the award, then known as the Robinson Award, last year.



SPIRIT AWARD

Same logo, different name.

Also honored at the ceremonies, were NFL Hall of Fame running back, **Jim Brown** and major league baseball star, **Eddie Murray**. Brown received the Spirit Career Achievement Award for his work building

community empowerment while Murray received the Spirit Salute Award. Murray, now of the Baltimore Orioles, this year joined Hall of Famers Willie Mays and Hank Aaron as the only players in major league history with 500 home runs and 3,000 hits.

Co-hosts were television talk show host, **Rolanda Watts** and LA sports anchor **Jim Hill**. The presenters included: former **Alabama A&M** lineman **Howard Ballard**, who has played 13 seasons in the NFL

and is currently with the Seattle Seahawks; Former **South Carolina State** lineman **Robert Porcher**, now with the Detroit Lions; **Zefross Moss**, formerly of **Alabama A&M**, also with the Lions; Hall of Fame lineman **Deacon Jones**, who attended South Carolina State and ESPN studio host, **Stuart Scott**.

The Spirit Award is sponsored by the Rutherford Group and seeks to create an award for black college football excellence that parallels the Heisman Trophy.

Move over Heritage Bowl

One of the proposals on the table Saturday at the NCAA Convention in Nashville, Tennessee is the creation of a black college Div. II post-season football bowl game.



SIAC Photo
JACKSON: Let's play two.

The **Pioneer Bowl**, pitting a team from the **Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (CIAA)** against a **Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SIAC)** squad has been in the works for several years, according to SIAC Commissioner **Wallace Jackson**. He and CIAA Commissioner **Leon Kerry** have signed on to the proposal. Jackson said the proposal calls for the game to be played in Atlanta in late December. Sound familiar? The **Heritage Bowl**, pitting teams from the two black college Div. I-AA football conferences, the **Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC)** and the **Mid Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC)**, is played in Atlanta's Georgia Dome in late December. Jackson said the game could be played at **Clark Atlanta's** new stadium.

Changing of guard in works in CIAA

When was the last time **St. Paul's College** beat perennial CIAA powers **Virginia Union** and **Norfolk State**. Make that on the road in the same week. How about never.

The Tigers, under the deft eye of third-year head coach **Ed Joyner**, pulled off the double last week beating **VUU** in Richmond 60-59 before handling the Spartans in Norfolk, 66-63. St. Paul's last beat **Union** in 1989, Norfolk State in 1990. Joyner has led his team to a 6-2 overall record

and the top spot in the CIAA North.

"We are ahead of where we were last year (when they finished 11-15) due to the talent we have," said Joyner. "I thought it would take a lot longer to blend."

His line-up includes 6-1 senior floor leader **Mario Haskett**, who leads the conference in assists, and who Joyner says is a pro prospect. Six-eight center **Marco Harrison**, an NC State transfer, leads the conference in blocks, and sophomore for-

ward **Antwain Smith**, the conference's third leading scorer was all conference as a freshman. Shooting guard **Mudu Lee** is a **Tennessee State** transfer shooting 36 percent from three-point range and **Jabber Doss**, a returning starter, is the small forward.

In addition to their on court talents, all five made the Dean's list, Joyner said. All five are from Virginia. Keeping home grown talent in state was a key, Joyner said.

"They're coachable people and they haven't peaked yet."

THE STAT CORNER

WHO ARE THE BEST PERFORMERS IN BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS

LEADING TEAMS IN 1996 HOME ATTENDANCE

DIV. I-AA	Games	Attend.	Avg.	Change in Avg.
1. Alcorn State	6	129,216	21,536	Up 11,110
2. Jackson State	5	104,887	20,977	Down 13,872
3. NC A&T	6	125,325	20,888	Up 8,565
4. Yale	5	103,965	20,793	Up 450
5. Florida A&M	4	82,387	20,597	Up 3,436
6. Marshall	7	141,804	20,258	Down 782
7. Southern	5	100,819	20,164	Down 238
8. Montana	6	106,902	17,817	Up 3,702
9. Prairie View	6	105,900	17,650	Up 12,637
10. Delaware	6	98,502	16,417	Down 1,586
11. Tenn. State	6	87,467	14,578	Down 1,258
18. Howard	7	84,796	12,139	Up 1,246
25. Texas Southern	5	54,832	10,966	Down 1,943
32. Grambling	4	40,777	10,182	Down 10,427
33. S. C. State	6	60,346	10,058	Down 4,851
37. Alabama St.	3	28,674	9,558	Down 2,862

DIV. II	Games	Attend.	Avg.	Change in Avg.
1. Norfolk State	4	62,704	15,676	Down 917
2. North Dak. St.	6	88,572	14,762	Up 2,907
3. Tuskegee	4	53,092	13,273	Up 2,766
4. Virginia State	4	45m850	11,463	Up 8,019
5. Portland State	6	55,775	9,296	No Change
6. N. Alabama	5	45,654	9,131	Up 1,544
7. Tex. A&M-Kingsvl.	6	54,500	9,083	Down 2,292
8. Angelo State	5	42,000	8,400	Up 1,480
9. Clark Atlanta	4	33,380	8,345	Down 6,005
10. S. Dak. State	5	37,788	7,558	Up 1,524
12. Albany State	5	37,137	7,427	No Change
14. Morehouse	4	28,112	7,028	No Change
17. Alabama A&M	5	32,785	6,557	No Change
18. NC Central	4	25,521	6,380	Up 948
19. Miles	5	30,901	6,180	Up 2,530
22. W-S State	4	22,063	5,516	Down 1,055
24. Fort Valley St.	5	27,367	5,473	Down 199
25. Savannah St.	6	32,624	5,437	No Change

DIV. I-A AND I-AA CONFERENCES AND INDEPENDENTS

Total Teams	Games	Attendance	Avg. per game	
1. Big Ten (I-A)	11	64	4,321,276	67,520
2. Southeastern (I-A)	12	75	4,847,380	64,632
3. Big 12 (I-A)	12	69	3,549,474	51,442
12. SWAC (I-AA)	8	39	600,798	15,405
13. Southern (I-AA)	9	51	578,350	11,340
14. MEAC (I-AA)	8	41	445,672	10,870

CONFERENCES AND INDEPENDENTS BELOW DIVISION I-AA

Total Teams	Games	Attendance	Avg. per game	
1. SIAC	10	46	310,491	6,750
2. CIAA	10	44	248,416	5,646
3. North Central	10	53	298,652	5,635
4. Gulf South	7	35	184,591	5,274
5. Lone Star	8	44	207,927	4,726

BASKETBALL THIS WEEK

JANUARY 13, 1997
Alabama A&M at Clark Atlanta - 8:00p
Texas Southern at Grambling - 7:30p
Prairie View A&M at Miss. Valley State - 7:30p
N.C. Central at St. Paul's - 7:30p

JANUARY 14, 1997
Livingstone at Elizabeth City State - 7:30p
W-Salem State at Fayetteville State - 7:30p
Virginia State at St. Augustine's - 7:30p

JANUARY 15
LeMoyne-Owen at Alabama A&M - 7:30p
Kentucky State at Central State - 7:30p
Millersville at Cheyney - 8:00p
N.C. A&T at Coppin State - 7:30p
Johnson C. Smith at Morehouse - 7:30p
Miles at Morris Brown - 8:00p
Fort Valley State at Savannah State - 8:00p
Arkansas-Pine Bluff at Southern - 8:00p
District of Columbia at West Chester - 7:00p

JANUARY 16
Shaw at Livingstone - 7:30p
Morgan State at MD-Eastern Shore - 7:30p
Virginia Union at Norfolk State - 7:30p
Albany State at Paine - 8:00p
Fayetteville State at St. Augustine's - 7:30p
Virginia State at St. Paul's - 7:30p

JANUARY 17
District of Columbia at Bowie State - 7:30p

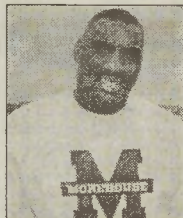
JANUARY 18
Tuskegee at Alabama A&M - 7:30p
Miss. Valley State at Alabama St. - 7:30p
Lane at Arkansas-Pine Bluff - 8:00p
S.C. State at Bethune-Cookman - 4:00p
Savannah State at Clark Atlanta - 8:00p
Hampton at Coppin State - 7:30p
Shaw at Fayetteville State - 7:30p
N.C. A&T at Florida A&M - 2:00p
MD-Eastern Shore at Howard - 2:00p
Grambling State at Jackson State - 7:30p
Morris Brown at Kentucky State - 7:30p
Cheyney at Mansfield - 8:00p
Fort Valley State at Miles - 7:30p
Albany State at Morehouse - 7:00p
Delaware State at Morgan State - 4:00p
St. Augustine's at N.C. Central - 7:30p
Elizabeth City State at Norfolk State - 7:30p
Lynn at Paine - 8:00p
Alcorn State at Prairie View A&M - 7:30p
District of Columbia at St. Paul's - 5:30p
Austin Peay State at Tennessee State - 7:45p
Southern at Texas Southern - 7:30p
J. C. Smith at Winston-Salem State - 7:30p

JANUARY 20
Morris Brown at Alabama A&M - 7:30p
Grambling State at Alabama State - 7:30p
N.C. A&T at Bethune-Cookman - 8:00p
S.C. State at Florida A&M - 7:30p
Clayton State at Fort Valley State - 7:30p
Delaware State at Howard - 8:00p
Miss. Valley State at Jackson State - 7:30p
Tuskegee at Kentucky State - 5:15p
Coppin State at MD-Eastern Shore - 7:30p
Savannah State at Miles - 8:00p
Southern at Prairie View A&M - 7:30p
Norfolk State at St. Paul's - 7:00p
Alcorn State at Texas Southern - 7:30p
Virginia Union at Virginia State - 9:00p

BCSP Notes

▼ Houston-based businessman **Harold Odom** was appointed as **Texas Southern's** new athletic director, a position that had been vacant about two years. Odom will oversee an athletic program troubled by a NCAA investigation and that has undergone financial scrutiny and management shake-ups. Odom is a 1965 accounting graduate of Texas Southern's School of Business.

▼ **DOUG'S IN THE 'HOUSE:** **Doug Williams**, former **Grambling State University** quarterback



AP Photo
WILLIAMS: Takes over at Morehouse, not Grambling.

and 1988 Super Bowl MVP while with the Washington Redskins, signed a five-year contract as the new head football coach at **Morehouse College**. Williams, who had been rumored to be in line to replace his college coach, **Eddie Robinson** who will enter his 56th and final year at Grambling in the Fall, said he was offered a job in the athletic department at Grambling but did not accept. The job offered was not as an assistant coach, Williams said. Williams had been working as a scout for the Jacksonville Jaguars.

▼ **Grambling** alumnus **Robert Piper**, was named the new athletic director at the school and vowed to restore the athletic department's image and instill in athletes "social consciousness." Piper takes over after **Fred Hobby** was reassigned earlier this school year. Piper comes aboard at a time when the department is embroiled in controversy. The NCAA will rule soon on rules violations by the football and men's and women's basketball teams. Legendary head football coach **Eddie Robinson** has suffered through two losing seasons and was recently subjected to a public squabble about completing one more year, his 56th, at the school. Additionally, four football players were recently charged with raping a teenager after the school's homecoming. Piper has served in various administration posts at the school. Piper was one of the finalists for the athletic director's job at **Howard University**, that was awarded to **Jake Ford**.

▼ **Delaware State** President **William DeLauder** has appointed **John McKenzie** as the Hornet's new football coach. McKenzie, 33, will replace **Bill Collick** who resigned this year after 12 seasons to concentrate on his responsibilities as athletic director. The Hornets finished 3-8 this season. McKenzie served this season as offensive coordinator and quarterback coach at **Fayetteville State University**. He is a former all-SWAC quarterback at **Jackson State** and served as offensive coordinator at **Alabama State University** before joining former ASU head coach, **Jerome Harper**, at Fayetteville State. This is his first head coaching assignment.



NC A&T Sports Photo
TOON: Returns to coaching to lead Fayetteville State.

▼ **BRONCO'S TOON:** **Fayetteville State** has named former **North Carolina A&T** assistant **James Toon** as their new football coach. Toon, who has been out of coaching since he completed six years as A&T's defensive line coach in 1990, served as intramural coordinator at A&T. He played collegiately at A&T from 1958-61 and was named to the Pittsburgh Courier All-America Team in 1959. Toon is a native of Dunn, NC who also served as an A&T assistant under **Hornsby Howell**.

▼ Former **Morehouse College** head coach **Mo Hunt** has been named the new football coach at **Lane College**. Hunt coached Morehouse to a 2-9 record this year, his second stint at the Atlanta school. He also led the Maroon Tigers from 1979-89. He replaces **John Gore** whose Lane team posted a 3-6 record this year.

▼ **Leonidas S. "Sonny" Epps**, 78, who coached basketball, football, golf, track and tennis at **Clark College** from 1950-1977, died Jan. 5. He was elected to the AU Center Hall of Fame and the Georgia Sports Hall of Fame. The Clark basketball gym is named for Epps. As a basketball coach he was 424-264, winning his 400th game on Dec. 28, 1976, becoming the winningest coach in Div. III of the SIAC.

▼ **Delaware State** sports information director **Craig Cotton** has been named the school's new public relations director. He will be replaced by **Dennis Jones**.