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Legacy Basketball Classic logo HOOPS FIRST: Charlotte's Legacy Basketball Classic has averaged over 10,000 fans at the Charlotte Coliseum in its four-year existence

**▼ MLK HOOP CLASSICS THIS WEEKEND;** NEW GRID CLASSIC FOR DC THIS FALL

#### 2003-04 BLACK COLLEGE BASKETBALL (Men's Results, Standings and Weekly Honors)

### SCORES CIAA CENTRAL INTERCOLLEGIATE MONDAY, JAN 12 MEAC MVSU 72, Alab. A&M 60 SU 78, JSU 64 Tex. A&M CC 77, TSU 67 SATURDAY, JAN. 10 MEAC 79, NSU 70

CIAA PLAYERS OF THE WEEK DONNELL WILLIAMS, Jr., G, FSU, Angeles, CA - Led Bronces to 2-1 week

ROOKIE AUDLY WEHNER, Fr., F. WSSU, Fayetteville

MEAC ATHLETIC CONE E. DIVISION Bethune-Cookma NC A&T State

MEAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK TERRENCE WOODS, Sr., G, FAMU, Memphis TN - Averaged 32.5 ppg., shooting 58% (15 c

Albany State Morehouse Paine F1. Valley State Kentucky State LeMoyne-Ower

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SIAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

#### **INDEPENDENTS** SWAC SOUTHWESTERN ATHLETIC CONFEREN West Virginia State Jackson State Southern Texas Southern

SWAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

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PLAYER
DEON SANDERS, Jr., F, SU, Washington, DC

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#### **BCSP HOOPS TOP TEN**

#### MEN

- 1. MISS. VALLEY ST. (9-4) Delta Devils are 3-0 in SWAC after wins at Alabama St., and Alabama A&M.
- 2. DELAWARE STATE (4-7) Hornets at 3-0 in MEAC after home wins over Coppin St., and Morgan State
- 3. VIRGINIA UNION (9-1) Suffered first loss at Fayv. State. Got wins over UDC and St. Paul's
- 4. BOWIE STATE (12-2) Won at NC Central, Shaw and Fayetteville
- 5. COPPIN STATE (6-10) Beat Howard, lost to Del State
- 6. WINSTON-SALEM ST. (12-3) Lost to St. Augustine's, and got wins over Eliz. City St. and Livingstone.
- 7. TEXAS SOUTHERN (6-7) Lost to Prairie View and Texas A&M Corpus Christi.
- 8. S. C. STATE (6-7) Only loss in MEAC at Norfolk State
- 9. SOUTHERN (6-7) Wins over Grambling and Jackson State to get to 3-1 in SWAC
- 10. JACKSON STATE (5-8) Fell to Southern after beating Alcorn St

- 1. DELAWARE STATE (8-2) 3-0 in MEAC, five non-MEAC Div. I wins.
- 2. SHAW (11-2) Ranked 15th in Div. II, 3-0 in CIAA.
- 3. ALABAMA STATE (6-5) Only SWAC loss at Grambling
- 4. JACKSON STATE (10-4) Only SWAC loss in OT to Alabama St. 5. S. C. STATE (7-6) - Atop MEAC at 4-0. Three non-MEAC Div. I wins
- 6. FLORIDA A&M (7-6) Only MEAC loss at Coppin State.

UNDER THE BANNER

WHAT'S GOING ON IN AND AROUND BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS

TEXAS TWO-STEP: Texas Southern has

named Howard grad and former Bison head man Steve

Wilson as its new head football

coach meaning that both

Houston-area Southwestern

Athletic Conference schools -

TSU and Prairie View A&M -

have plucked their new coaches

from the same Central

Association pot. In the SWAC,

Wilson will join former Bowie

head coach at Prairie View in late

December, Wilson served his first

Athletic

Intercollegiate

WILSON: Bowie State State head coach Henry Frazier

Howard head coach III who signed on as the new

year under Frazier this season as the Bulldogs' defensive

coordinator. In choosing Wilson, TSU Athletic Director

Alois Blackwell was picking a person he knows well. The

two were NFL teammates on the 1979 Dallas Cowboys and

have stayed in contact. Blackwell is hoping Wilson can

duplicate the success he enjoyed in a ten-year NFL career

and a 13-year tenure as Howard's head coach that ended in

2001. Wilson, 46, a record-breaking receiver while at

Howard, enjoyed a productive NFL career as a defensive

back with Dallas and Denver. After his retirement, he took

over at Howard and won the Mid Eastern Athletic

Conference coach of the year award after leading the Bison

to an 8-3 mark in his first season (1989). In 1993, Wilson's squad, led by quarterback Jay Walker, posted a perfect 11-0

Athletic Conference title before losing in the first round of

the NCAA Div. I-AA playoffs to eventual national champion.

the Heritage Bowl. Wilson left as the winningest coach in

Howard history with a 77-67 record "We want to be a cham-

pionship football team at Texas Southern, and Steve Wilson certainly has championship credentials," Blackwell said. "We're excited about those things." Wilson is also excited.

The city of Houston is a tremendous sports town, look at the

venues and support," Wilson said. "You want to be part of

something like that. Any time you go in as a college coach

and have such a fertile recruiting area, that's the key. The key

in this business is aquisition of talent. I think we'll get the

kind of talent to have a chance to be successful against the

teams we'll play." Wilson takes over from Bill Thomas. who resigned last month after 10 years at TSU. The Tigers fin-

- 7. VIRGINIA UNION (10-2) 4-0 in CIAA.
- 8. CLARK ALANTA (12-1) Atop the SIAC at 5-0.

BCSP Photo

assistant and former

lands at Texas Southern.

- 9. FORT VALLEY STATE (8-2) Just behind CAU at 2-1.
- 10. W. VA. STATE (10-3) Tied atop WVIAC at 4-0.

#### Carolina Central and Livingstone in the 3 p.m. opener followed by

While celebrations will be held

all over the nation this weekend hon-

oring the life and legacy of Dr.

Martin Luther King, Jr., a series of

special tributes on the hardwood are

set to honor the Morehouse graduate

who led America's second and per-

Johnson C. Smith graduate Cary

Mitchell puts on the fifth annual

Legacy Basketball Classic billed as a

four-day weekend of the best in

sports entertainment, celebrity par-

The games, pitting North

ties and community building.

The biggest is set for Sunday at

Charlotte Coliseum where

haps greatest revolution.

Winston-Salem State vs. JCSU at 5:30, are the linchpins of a four-day weekend of activities that include a black women's film showcase, a teen summit, a women's legacy luncheon.

#### **GAMES THIS WEEK**

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THURS., JAN. 15	
CIAA	
FSU @ SAC	7:30pm
WSSU @ Shaw	7:30pm
LC @ JCSU	7:30pm
FRI., JAN. 16	
CIAA	
ECSU vs. VSU in Raleigh	7:00pm
SAC vs. Shaw in Raleigh SAT., JAN, 17	9:00pm
CIAA	
SPC @ WSSU	4:00pm
FSU @ ECSU	7:30pm
Pitt-Johnstown @ BSU	7:00pm
MEAC	
SCSU @ MSU	4:00pm
DSU @ FAMU	4:00pm
UMES @ NSU	4:00pm
HOW @ B-CC	4:00pm
NC A&T @ CSC	7:30pm
SWAC AAM @ Alab. St	0.00===
SU @ UAPB.	8:00pm 7:30pm
TSU @ GSU.	7:30pm
PV @ JSU	7:30pm
Alc. St. @ MVSU	7:30pm
SUN., JAN. 18	
CIAA	
NCCU vs. LC in Charlotte	3:00pm
WSSU vs. JCSU in Charlotte	5:30pm
VUU vs. VSU in Richmond	8:00pm
MON., JAN. 19 MEAC	
SCSU @ CSC	7:30pm
NC A&T @ MSU	7:30pm
HOW @ FAMU	8:00pm
UMES @ HAM	8:00pm
DSU @ B-CC	8:00pm
SWAC	
Alc. St. @ UAPB	7:30pm
PV @ GSU	7-30pm
TSU @ JSU	7:30pm
SU @ MVSU TUES., JAN. 20	7:30pm
CIAA	
VUU @ BSU	7:30pm
JCSU @ SAC	7:30pm
SPC @ Shaw	7:30pm
BSU @ JCSU	7:30pm
WED., JAN 21	
WSSU @ VSU	7:30pm
THURS., JAN. 22	
CIAA LC @ SAC	7:30pm
Columbia Harra & BOH	7.30pm

Times are for men's games. Women's games usually start two hours before men's contests.

a talent show, step show, brunches Participating schools have received ing artists Kanye West and DJ Whoo and receptions. (Full schedule at lega-

Honoring MLK on and off the court

cybballclassic.com). The games have drawn over 42.000 fans in the four years of its existence while the community-wide events have generated national interest and a buzz for the Charlotte area. Proceeds from the game and other events benefit the participating schools and local youth charities

The idea and success of New Orleans's Bayou Classic football game spurred his interest in starting the Legacy, said Mitchell. "It's always held on Thanksgiving weekend and we thought the Martin Luther King weekend would be ideal for branding this game. We're also trying to brand Charlotte as a holiday weekend destination, like Atlanta is

Different people in the Charlotte community approached him about adding the ancillary events that have filled up the schedule. Phillip Morris. Bell South, Bank of America and the city of Charlotte are some of the sponsors that contribute to the weekend.

over \$200,000 during the four-year history of the Legacy.

Among the celebrities scheduled to appear are BET's Jacque Reed, Bad Boy recording artist Carl Thomas, MTV's DJ Clu and Hidden Beach recording artist Mike Phillips.

Friday in Raleigh at the RBC Center is the first of two Freedom Classics. The third Carolina Freedom Classic features a tripleheader of games beginning with the Shaw/St. Augustine's women's game at 5 p.m., followed by Elizabeth City State vs. Virginia State men at 7 p.m. and the Shaw vs. St. Aug's men in the 9 p.m. nightcap.

On Sunday, the eighth Richmond Freedom Classic, Roc-A-Fella Weekend, culminates with the Virginia Union/Virginia State men's game at 7:35 p.m.

A series of four entertainment seminars are scheduled for Saturday morning, followed by a celebrity basketball game, fashion show and afterparty featuring Roc-A-Fella recordKid. A Gospel Showcase will precede Sunday's game. (Full schedule at freedom classic.com).

Not to be left out is Saturday's M. King-W. C. Witherspoon Legacy Classic at Elizabeth City State University. Former ECSU head coach Bobby Vaughn, 75, who won over 500 games while at the helm of the Vikings is now at the helm of an effort to reintroduce the Vikings to the Elizabeth City community. The men's and women's games Saturday vs. Fayetteville State are a step in that

"It's a celebration of togetherness," said Vaughan. "We're hoping to attract a big crowd and hopefully they will come out again to more games."

The event will also honor local hero, W. C. Witherspoon, a respected educator and Pasquotank County commissioner who passed last year. A portion of the Classic's proceeds will go to what ultimately will become an ECSU scholarship in Witherspoon's name.

### Classic fever hits the nation's capital

You can add the Prince George's Classic to the 2004 menu of black college football games to be held at major venues

The Prince George's (Md.) Black Chamber of Commerce held a press conference Tuesday at Washington, D. C.'s National Press Club to announce the first annual game which will pit Howard University against Grambling State University on Sept. 18 of this year at 86,000-seat Fed Ex Field, home of the NFL's Washington Redskins

Grambling head coach Doug Williams, the former Redskins' Super Bowl winning quarterback, and Howard head man Rayford Petty were on hand for the announcement and were joined by a group of dignitaries from around the state and region that are supporting the event.

Maryland Lieutenant Governor Michael Steele, U. S. Rep. (Md., 4th District) Albert R. Wynn, Prince George's County Executive Jack Johnson, and National Black Chamber of Commerce President Harry Alford, were among the group present for the announcement along with representatives of the Redskins and the Greater Washington Sports Alliance, partners for the clas-

Howard Athletic Director. Sondra Norrell-Thomas said "We have been involved with this undertaking from the beginning and are happy to have formed a partnership with the PG Black Chamber of Commerce in making this a reality. We are looking forward to a long relationship as we work to make this one of the premier black college events in the country." Howard is expected to be an annual participant in the game.

Hubert "Petey" Green, president of the Prince George's Black Chamber of Commerce, Inc., was the moderator of the press conference and talked of a sixmonth process that brought the game into being. Promoters are billing the game as a three-day celebration of sports, culture and community and are looking for it to have a major impact on economic development in Prince George's County, described in Classic promotional mate-



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CLASSIC POSE: Howard head coach Ray Petty (I.) and Grambling head football coach Doug Williams (r.) flank Prince George's County Black Chamber of Commerce President Hubert "Petey" Green (c.) Tuesday at press conference announcing the first annual "Prince George's Classic" to be played between the two schools on Sept. 18 of this year at 86,000-seat Fed Ex Field.

rial as the most affluent black majority county in the coun-

Plans call for a golf tournament, battle of the bands, fashion show and tailgate party. A recently conducted study says the event should generate over \$15 million for the local economy.

"When I was approached to be part of the Classic it was a no-brainer," said Williams. "As soon as I heard it was in the DC area, we had two other opportunities but we put them on hold to make sure we gave preference to this first Classic. For many of the young men on the Grambling football team, it will be a great opportunity that they may never have to come to the nation's capital."

"Grambling is well-known throughout the country and has been for half a century," Petty said. "It's a great opportunity for our football program to play Grambling who has been the black college national champion two of the last three years. The visibility of playing in Fed Ex Field is going to go a long way to help us in recruiting."

#### 2003-04 BLACK COLLEGE BASKETBALL (Women's Results, Standings and Weekly Honors)

E. DIVISION Clark Atlanta

W. DIVISION

Lane LeMoyne-Owen

SIAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

# regular season mark, won the school's only Mid Eastern Marshall. The Bison were selected as black college national champions in '93 and again in '96 after defeating Southern at

SCORES CIAA CENTRAL INTERCOLLEGIA E. DIVISION
Shaw
Virginia Union
Eliz. City State
Virginia State
Bowie State
St. Paul's
W. DIVISION
W-Salem State

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SHALONDA CARTER, Fr., F, F Fayetteville, NC - Averaged 9.6 points rebounds. Against ECSU, she had 18 points

Howard Florida A&M Bethune-Cool

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Morgan State MEAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK NICOLE BRAITHWAITE, Sr., F, Hampton

at B-CC.

ROOKIE

CHRISTINA ADEN, Fr., G, Howard. Clev
OH - Third rookie honor afer getting 22 pc

SWAC SOUTHWESTERN ATHLETIC CONFEREN SIAC SOUTHERN INTERCOLLEGE

> Alabama State Alabama A&M Jackson State

SWAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK
PLAYER
CRYSTAL KITT, Jr, C, Alabama St., Mobil-

Other Notable Performances - Amie Williams, Jackson St. - Averaged 13.5 ppg., 3.5 ppg., 1.5 apg., and 1.5 spg., in two wins. LaShowann Smith, Alabama A&M - Had 19 points in win over UAPB and season-high 28 in win over MVSU.

## INDEPENDENTS

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