

New Coaches Join Staff

BY CHRISTY WILLIAMS

It is not only incoming freshmen and transfer students who will be on unfamiliar turf and different schedules this fall. The SA athletic department has added some new faces to its staff.

Among these people, are Drew Sledge, named new tennis coach, and Mike Fedak, new soccer coach. Both are succeeding Coach Peter Barrett.

Sledge has been Scotland High's tennis coach for nine years. In his time there he developed an outstanding tennis program which brought state-wide recognition for undefeated seasons and placements in state tournaments.

Sledge is a graduate of Pembroke State University and a masters recipient in Physical Education from East Carolina University. Although Sledge will be coaching SA's tennis team, he will still teach biology at Scotland High.

"I'm grateful to SA for giving me the opportunity to work with college level

athletes," Sledge said. "It will be a challenge to coach them toward what we hope will be individual growth and overall excellence."

Mike Fedak is the other newcomer to the SA community. Another graduate of Pembroke State University, Fedak also holds a masters degree from East Carolina, and a Ph.D. from Michigan State.

Fedak has coached soccer for seven years at Scotland High, and in 1971 he was head coach at Pembroke State. On both the college and high school level, Fedak led his teams to winning seasons.

Fedak already has many goals set for the SA soccer team. He said he would like to develop a "strong disciplined and structured program that would make SA competitive in and out of the conference."

With his goals, Fedak has set up a three point plan to get SA to achieve these. Top priority will be given to the recruitment of fine soccer players who are scholars as

well. "It's great to join the SA team," Fedak said, "I'm ready to go to work."

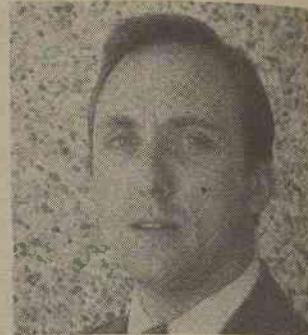
The third unfamiliar fact to the playing field, but certainly not to our campus, is that of Jerry Acanfora. As Julian Smith, who has been SA's baseball coach for 11 seasons, retires from his coaching position, Acanfora has been named head coach.

A graduate of Rutgers University, Acanfora has Ph.D. from Ohio State. He helped develop the initial baseball program at Virginia State College and then became assistant coach. After this Acanfora went on to become offensive line coach for the Virginia State and Capital University of Ohio football team.

Until last fall when Acanfora came to SA, he was assistant professor of health and PE for seven years at Miami University of Ohio. With all this experience and his innovative ideas shown in the last year, Acanfora has earned the respect of both colleagues and students.



Sledge



Fedak

Anstead, English Ranked

By Christie Williams

Optimism combined with talent is creating quite a stir with SA's baseball enthusiasts. Besides a new coach for the team, returning to its force are two nationally ranked players.

In statistics from the NCAA-division III, Dyke Anstead, junior shortstop, and Dean English, freshmen pitcher, were rated among the nation's finest players.

Anstead ended the baseball season ranked sixth nationally in batting with a .461. Also, he was fourth in stolen bases. During the summer months, Anstead spent

much of his time touring the Pacific Islands with "Athletes in Action."

English finished the season with an ERA of 1.99. This allowed him to complete the season ranked first in the Dixie Conference pitching statistics, and tenth nationally.

With these two players, Jerry Acanfora as their new coach as well as all the other talented players on the SA team, 1984 promises to be an exciting, successful year.

"We're all proud of what they've achieved for themselves and for the whole team," said coach Sullivan Smith.

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