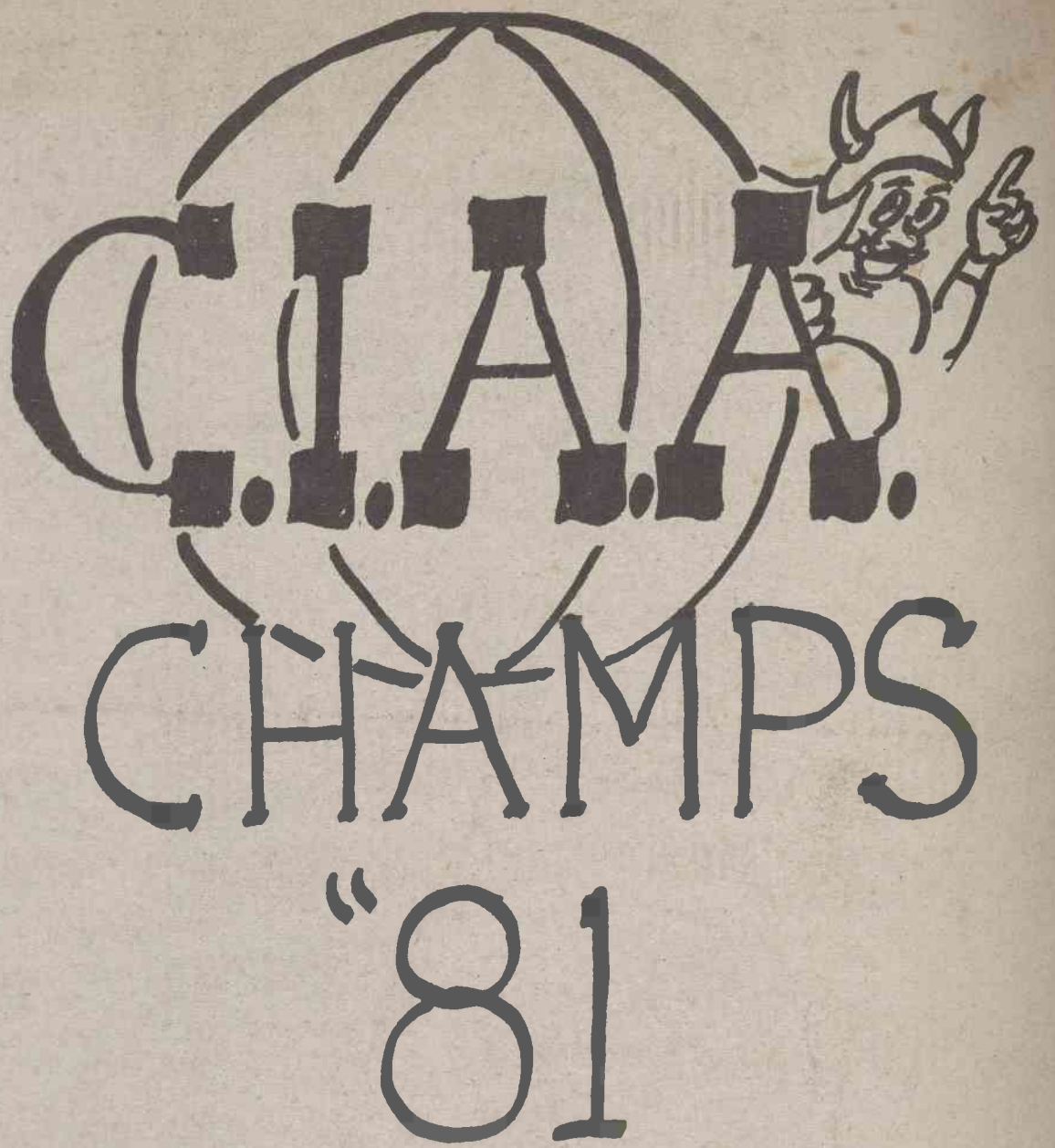


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Wrestling: ECSU style

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The ECSU Wrestling teams goal is to win the CIAA Wrestling Championship, and it looks like they're well on their way, with the help of Coach Thurlis Little.

He should know; he has been coaching the team for the past years, as well as teaching archery, swimming,

wrestling, tennis, and badminton.

"The team has had a successful season thus far and our goal is to win the CIAA Wrestling Championship," Coach Little stated.

Many of the wrestlers are recruited from various high schools throughout the states. The wrestling team consists of ten classes, ranging from

118lbs. to 190lbs. The wrestlers who weigh more than 190lbs. are considered to be in the unlimited or heavy weight class.

The team is made up of five seniors, two sophomores, and seven freshmen. Coach Little stated that the wrestling team is young, but they are giving their opponents a challenge.

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Arthur Gaskins, a 6 foot 4 inch senior, better known as Boo Boo has dazzled the fans of ECSU since 1977.

Gaskins began playing basketball when he was in Elementary School. During his early years he played ball with his friends for fun.

Boo Boo enjoys playing baseball, but he has not played in the last five years. "I have enjoyed playing basketball at ECSU for the past four years," stated Gaskins.

Gaskins netted 39 points during the Norfolk State vs. Elizabeth City State game. Gaskins stated, "I and my teammates were psyched up about the game because they

had not won against the Spartans since 1977.

The team wanted to win, because they would move up to first place and knock the Spartans down the ladder.

Boo Boo Gaskins was named CIAA player of the week. He is also on the ballot for the annual Pizza Hut Basketball Classic, one of the eleven North Carolina players nominated for the east squad. Gaskins is representing the NCAA Division II and NAIA schools.

Gaskins averages 22.9 points per game, placing him third in the CIAA. He needs only 56 points to reach the 2000 point plateau for his career at ECSU, and from the looks of his career so far, he will be sure to put them in.

