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## Trahan talks about the future and CIAA

Gives candid interview on Jan. 27

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Celeste Trahan, a six-foot-two inch freshman from Stockton, Ca. wearing number 00 and playing the center position for the Lady Vikings is just at the

confidence of the freshman standout.

"I look to continue to play hard every game — whatever it takes for the Lady Vikings to be playing in that championship game," Trahan said.

Trahan discussed some of the team's strengths and weakness they had to address before the CIAA tournament started.

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beginning of her college career, and she has many expectations for the CIAA: She expects the competition to be very tough and competitive.

"I hope to have many of our fans at the CIAA to support us. I think we play better as a team with the strong support," Trahan said.

Trahan has been named rookie of the week five consecutive times, as of January 27, 2005. She feels good about the recognition but she is not satisfied.

"I don't know why — the first time I got it I was happy," Trahan said. "I guess I am just focused on getting my team to the finals at the CIAA tournament. I'd rather work to receive player of the year rather than rookie of the year."

Being selected rookie of the week so many times has built the

talented team in the CIAA," Trahan said. "If we play to the best of our abilities, then we can beat any team. Our team's weakness is that we have to learn not to play down to our opponent's level. We have to set our intensity level and play hard for forty minutes. We have to put it all out there, and then we will come out on top."

The main goals and objectives for Trahan are to play to the best of her ability and to avoid having any regrets at the end of the competition. She is not satisfied with her previous performances and has made a commitment to her team to play with everything she's got.

Trahan says that making her grandmother happy is what inspires her to play well every night, and wants to be the best player in the CIAA.



Photo by Rich Harvey

Celeste Trahan-Elizabeth City State University 6'2", FR, Center, Stockton, CA  
In the March 5 game against the Shaw Bears, Trahan scored 12 points and broke the CIAA single game record by pulling down 26 rebounds. She has earned CIAA Rookie of the Week honors five times this season.



## ECSU golfers place second

By April Emory  
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The Elizabeth City State University placed second in its season opener at the Bide-A-Wee golf course in Portsmouth, VA on Wednesday, March 9.

Virginia State University finished first with a team score of 477 followed by the Vikings with 518. Shaw University placed third with a total of 590.

Freshman Dustin Boothe, a 2004 graduate of Currituck County High School, led the entire field with an individual best of 82. Senior Kevin Moore was second best for ECSU with 124 while Johnathan White and Steven Parker finished with 152 and 160, respectively.

The ECSU Golf team will return to action this Sunday, March 13 as they travel to Winston-Salem, NC for the 2005 CIAA Western Division Championship Tournament. During this two-day event, ECSU will be one of ten teams that will compete at Winston Lake Golf Club in Winston-Salem.

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ECSU applauds Cleantha Samuel (left), Miss. ECSU, as second runner up in the Miss. CIAA college queen contest. During the final day of the 2005 tournament events, the CIAA presented the three winners to the crowd: Sarah Morris, (center) the winner of the contest, Miss. Virginia Union University and Titichia Mitchell, (right) first runner up, Miss. Fayetteville State University.

Photo by Kesha Williams

The Vikings play against Fayetteville State on Saturday, Jan. 22. The Broncos busted the Vikings 85-68.

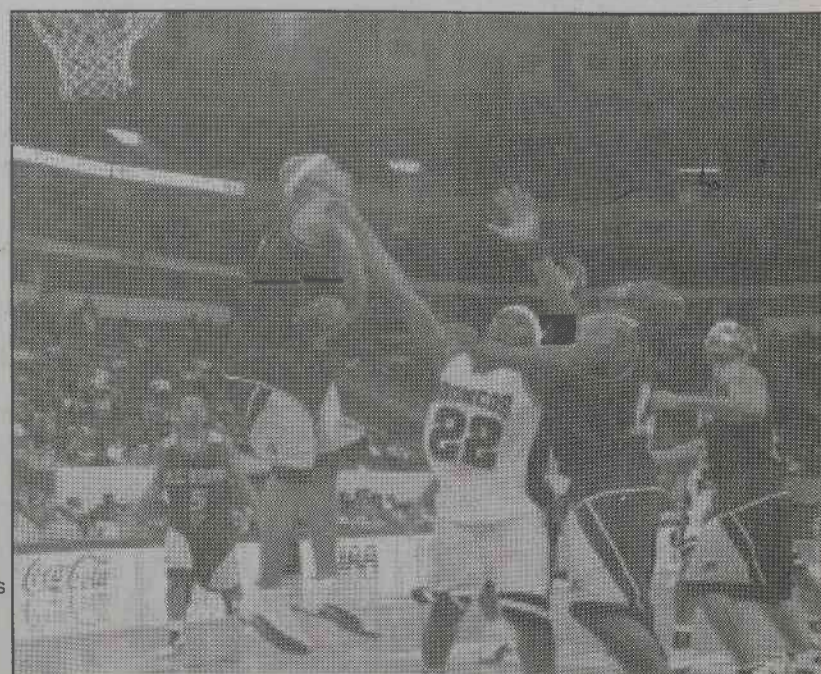


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