

## SPORTS

# Nelson, Broadnax Are Rams To Watch

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She leads the Lady Ram Basketball Team, averaging 10 points per game. Her picture is on the 1996-1997 Lady Ram Basketball schedule and she's been on the Dean's List twice. Who is this outstanding student-athlete?

This outstanding athlete is Chellia Nelson, senior sports management major, the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Maurice Fairley, who is known to her friends and family as "CHURCH."

When asked why she is called CHURCH, Nelson said, "When I was at Louisburg College, Chickita Matthews could not pronounce my name, Chellia. I am saved and went to church all the

time, so she said I'm going to call you CHURCH. So it just stuck with me all this time," said Nelson.

Since arriving here at WSSU, Nelson has accumulated many accolades - Honorable Mention; All-CIAA in 1994-95 and 1995-96; Co-MVP 1995-1996; 1996 DIV II Kodak Women's All-America; BCSIDA 1995-1996 Women's All-American Team, and College Division II Team.

Along with her many basketball accomplishments, she also manages to excel academically. She's been on the Dean's List twice and is steadily holding a 2.8 GPA.

At the beginning of the basketball season, the CIAA coaches picked the

Lady Rams to finish in a three-way tie for first place in the Southern Division. The tie was between WSSU, Shaw and Fayetteville State Universities. However, The Lady Rams have fallen a little behind. Their current overall record is 9 - 9 and their CIAA record is 7 - 4.

"We started off kind of slow, but we are getting to know each other and the chemistry is good," said Nelson. "We are still going to win the CIAA."

After graduation, this Hamlet, NC native wants to play pro-ball for the Womens League (either ABL or WNBA), but if all else fails she said she will probably further her education at Alabama State University as a grad-assistant. What does she plan to study? Coaching, of course!



**Chellia Nelson**

"He's like a Scottie Pippen, I love playing with him!" Is the the way that co-captain of the Rams basketball Team,

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