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## Recreation news

### Youth Baseball, Softball and Spring Soccer Registration

The Recreation Department will take registration at both the Walker Community Center (old D. F. Walker) and Northern Chowan Community Center for its youth baseball (ages 4-18, includes T-ball and coach pitch), softball (ages 7-18, includes girls 8 and under coach pitch) and spring soccer (ages 4-12) leagues the week of Monday, Feb. 19 through Friday, Feb. 23, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day; and Monday, Feb. 26 through March 2 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day.

The cost is \$10. The age cut-off for baseball and softball is April 30. The cut-off date for spring soccer is March 31. For more information, call 482-8595 or 221-4901.

### Volleyball Free Play

The Recreation Department will offer volleyball free play at the Northern Chowan Community Center from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays, and at the Walker Community Center from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Thursdays.

For more information, call 482-8595.

### Youth Basketball Results

**Mite (7-9) Girls**  
**Friday, Jan. 19** — Lady Heels (A. Jackson-6) defeated Lady Blue Devils (B. Brabble-4), 12-4.

**Mite (7-9) Boys**  
**Friday, Jan. 19** — Hornets (A. Elliott-12) defeated Wasp (R. Stallings-7), 34-10; Swarm (B. White-10) defeated Stingers (M. Dixon-4, Hoskins Powell-4), 20-13.  
**Saturday, Jan. 20** — Hive (D. Hall-10) defeated Buzzers (W. High-4), 27-10.

**Midget (10-12) Boys**  
**Saturday, Jan. 20** — Jazz (B. Goodwin-16, M. Holley-16) defeated Nuggets (A.J. Heckstall-15), 54-28; Knicks (J. Duncan-22) defeated Bobcats (J. Privott-22), 68-33; Pacers (T. Johnson-17) defeated Rockets (C. Copeland-5, A. Perry-5), 55-16.

**Tuesday, Jan. 23** — Jazz (B. Goodwin-20) defeated Celtics (X. Long-17), 57-25; Pacers (T.J. Cofield-14) defeated Nuggets (J. Long-14), 48-36.

**Midget (10-13) Girls**  
**Monday, Jan. 22** — Comets (Z. Leary 28) defeated Liberty (H. Bembry-3), 25-12.

**Junior (13-15) Boys**  
**Monday, Jan. 22** — Sixers (B. Taylor-30) defeated Wizards (J. Phelps-24), 51-45.

**Adult Open League Basketball**  
**Monday, Jan. 22** — Knapp Masonry (V. Holloway-34) defeated Unity (A.C. Carver-16, G. Carver-16, Mike White-16), 76-73; Varsity Green (P.J. Phelps-15) defeated Pizza Hut (G. Bradley-16), 60-41.  
**Wednesday, Jan. 24** — Varsity Blue (E. Leary-17) defeated Pizza Hut (R. Holley-18), 68-61; Miller Chiropractic (B. Ferebee-31) defeated Unity (Mike White-14), 59-50.

## “We want to forgive Pete Rose.” — former Dodgers first baseman Steve Garvey on baseball’s banned hit king Garvey delivers to Steamers faithful

BY SEAN JACKSON  
Staff Writer

During his heyday in the 1970s, Dodgers first baseman Steve Garvey played with and against 22 Hall-of-Famers.

He endured the ear-scratching pitches from Bob Gibson, and dug in against Tom Seaver’s deadly sliders.

But it was baseball hit king Pete Rose that Garvey talked passionately about here Sunday night during the Edenton Steamers third annual Clambake. Rose’s gambling addiction has likely cost him his legacy and place in Cooperstown, Garvey told a crowd of more than 250.

“We want to forgive Pete Rose,” Garvey said.

But Rose’s refusal to admit he gambled on pro baseball — which garners a lifelong ban from affiliation with the game — was his biggest mistake, Garvey said.

Garvey said he admires Rose’s approach to the game.

“Everybody should have Pete’s work ethic,” Garvey, 59, said of Rose, who earned the nickname “Charlie Hustle” during his career.

Both Rose and Garvey failed to be voted into the Hall last month, their final year of eligibility on baseball writers’ ballots. Now their fate is in the hands of Major League Baseball’s Veterans Committee.

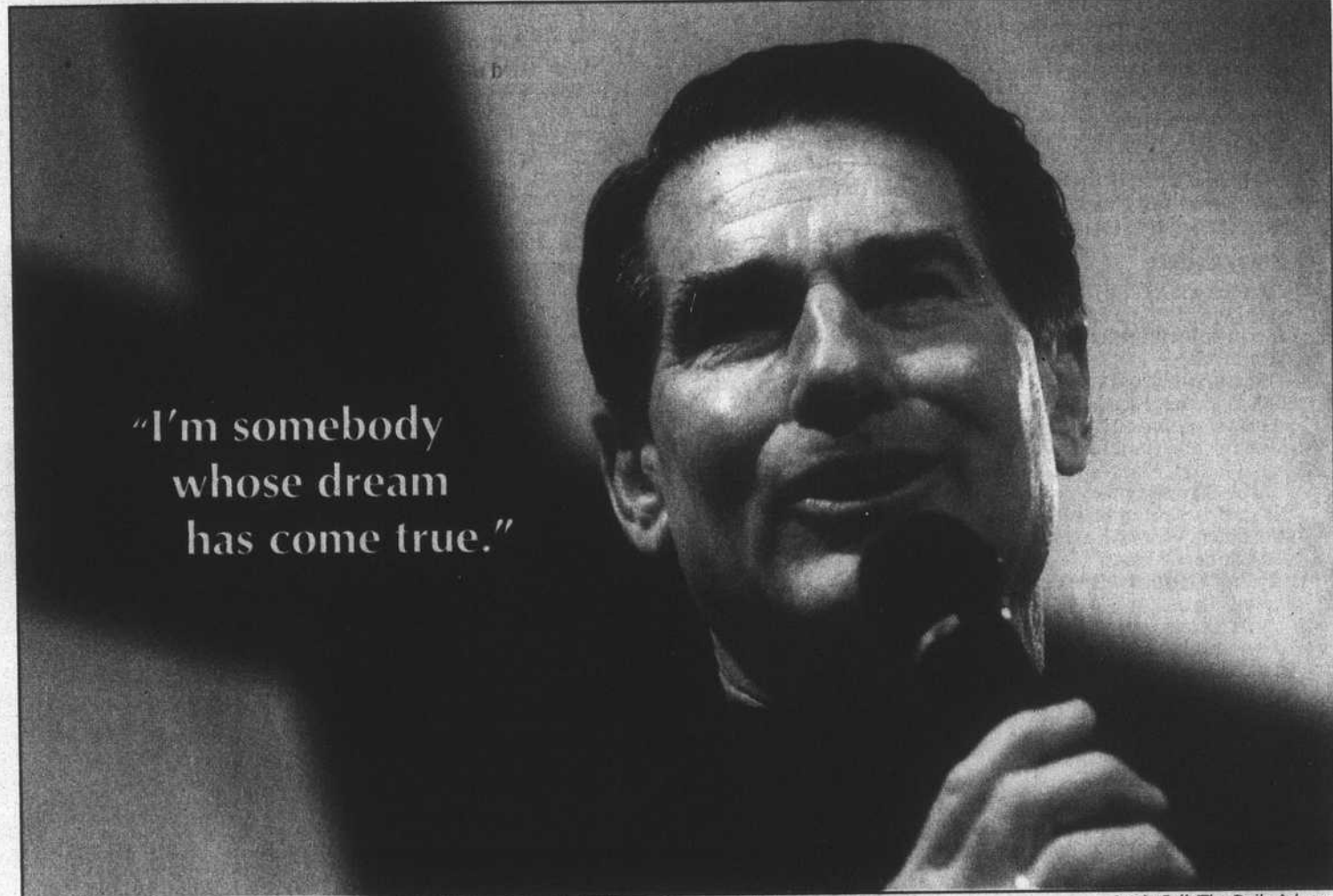
Garvey said Rose’s chances with such legends as Bob Feller — who spoke at last year’s Clambake — are even slimmer than they were with the writers.

“Bob Feller is not going to vote for him,” said Garvey, whose Major League career spanned 19 years with the Dodgers and the San Diego Padres.

### Lore of the legends

Then there was Garvey’s take on Martin County native Gaylord Perry, a Hall of Fame pitcher known for his deadly — and illegal — spitball. Though smiling, Garvey said Perry cheated by applying banned substances to the ball.

“He used Vaseline, baby powder — he was a drugstore out there,” Garvey said to a roll of laughter from the crowd. Tony Gwynn and Cal Ripken Jr., both recently voted into Cooperstown, are throwbacks to the days when players were more faithful to their teams than their own interests, Garvey said. Gwynn played his



“I’m somebody whose dream has come true.”

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**Former Dodgers and Padres great Steve Garvey, above, talks to the 250 people on hand for the third annual Clambake at Leon Nixon’s Catering on Sunday evening. At right, Edenton pharmacist John Mitchener chats with Garvey during the event’s autograph session.**

entire career with the Padres, while Ripken spent all of his 21 seasons in Baltimore.

“You could not choose better role models for young kids to look up to,” Garvey said of Gwynn and Ripken.

Garvey was also asked if baseball would ever have a salary cap.

“Absolutely not,” he answered without hesitation.

### A dream come true

The Tampa native spent other parts of the evening signing baseballs and pictures for kids and adults.

“It’s fun,” James Walker, 8, of Currituck County, said after Garvey jotted his name on a ball for the youngster.

Walker said he was going to add the ball to his fledgling sports memorabilia collection. During his hour-long talk,



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Garvey recounted his own experience with his baseball idols as a young boy growing up in Tampa, Fla.

Garvey’s dad, Joe, was a Greyhound bus driver and had to pick up the Brooklyn Dodgers at an airport in March of 1956. Seven-year-old Steve tagged along, eventually being tapped as the Dodgers’ batboy during an exhibition game against the Yankees in St. Petersburg.

He met Jackie Robinson, Roy Camapanella, even played a game of catch with Gil Hodges. He brought balls and broken bats home. Though worn out,

he was unable to fall asleep that night.

“When you have a day like I had,” Garvey said, “you start dreaming about becoming a baseball player.”

That wish came true on Sept. 1, 1969, his debut with the Los Angeles Dodgers. He went 0-for-1 against the Mets, but he would set records and gain post-season fame before he retired in 1987.

“I want you to know,” he said, “I’m somebody who had his dream come true.”

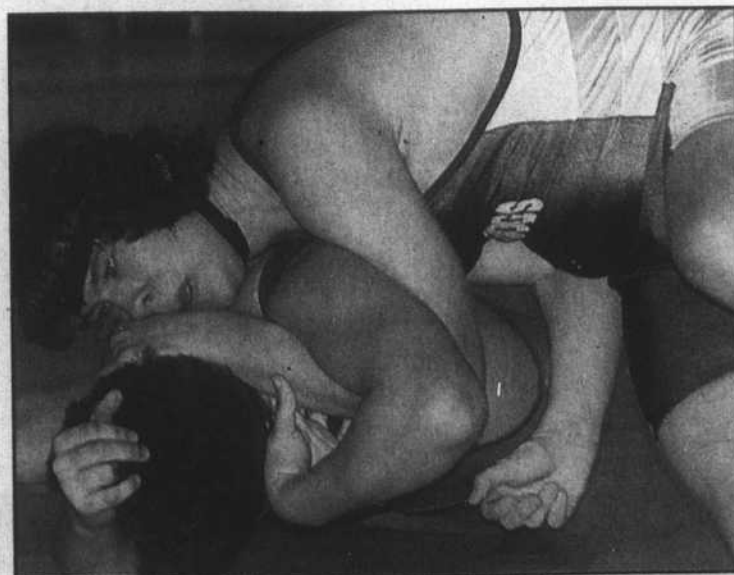
Garvey told baseball fans — especially those who follow the Steamers — to root for their

team regardless of who wins or loses.

“Take the time to go out and catch these boys,” he said. “It’s important.”

The Steamers open the season at home on May 30 against the Outer Banks Daredevils. For ticket information, call the team’s front office at 482-4080.

Steamers official Katie Ebersole announced that the team would honor a player or coach with the first annual Gayle Gieseke Champion of Steamers Spirit award. Gieseke, the team’s former secretary, passed away unexpectedly on Oct. 15. She was 59.



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Chowan Middle School wrestler Zack Delaney pins River Road opponent Chris Douglas during the 173-pound match at home on Jan. 25.

## Chowan Middle School wrestlers stay undefeated on the season

BY SEAN JACKSON  
The Chowan Herald

Bulldogs’ wrestlers pulled off another win against visiting River Road last week to run their record to a perfect 10-0.

Team coach James Bell thinks his squad could run out the season without a loss.

“Right now, I feel we’re on a roll,” Bell said. “We’re a team of destiny.”

Going in to yesterday’s match against Currituck, eighth-graders Tevin Holley

(121 pound class) and Kyle Bishop (137 pounds) were both unbeaten this winter.

Holley went 11-1 last year. “He’s putting together a couple of incredible years as a wrestler,” Bell said.

Bell also credits Matthew Bunch, who competes in the 83-pound class, as getting the team hyped for each match.

“He’s the bulldog of our team,” he said. “He just never quits.”

Tyler Reinhold (125 pounds) also leads the team.

“Technically, he’s the scalpel,” Bell said.

Overall, the team has shown determination since their first match this winter, Bell said.

“Every day, they just keep getting better,” he said. “It’s a fun team to coach. If I told them to chew nails, they’d chew them.”

Chowan travels to First Flight Thursday for the final regular-season match.

The conference tournament will be held Feb. 10, also at First Flight.