

# All-city/county jayvees From Page B1

...it off to someone else to do it.

In the same neighborhood scoring wise, was teammates Dwayne Miller and Junior Hargrove. They were near 12 points a game and made sizable contributions to ending the Yellowjacket's potent fastbreak.

The Yellowjackets, who tied with Greensboro Page at 9-1 for the Metro jayvee title, relied on Charles Forward as their biggest propler of rebounds. Forward averaged 12.7 rebounds a game and occasion cut loose for double-figure scoring.

Carver won the Wilkes Central Superior Varsity Tournament over the Christmas holidays, making them the only county team to win such an event. The fastbreak shamed Mount Tabor early and nearly everyone else, too.

## Put It Up Patterson

Wayne Patterson, like the rest of his West Forsyth teammates, was afraid to shoot the basketball.

The Titan sophomore averaged 14.4 ppg and 10.8 rebounds per contest while shooting a collective 37%. Patterson, also an excellent football player, was one of West's best inside threats.

Mark Passarello and Brantley Smith weren't scared to shoot either.

Both of the West guards were most dead even statistically, with Smith being a superior percentage shooter.

Smith averaged 12.9 ppg and connected on 60 free throws while shooting 45%.

Passarello, who is best remembered for his goggles and a staggering three-point shot, averaged 12.6 points despite shooting only 37%. He made 66 free throws and on two occasions pulled West out of the losing pan.

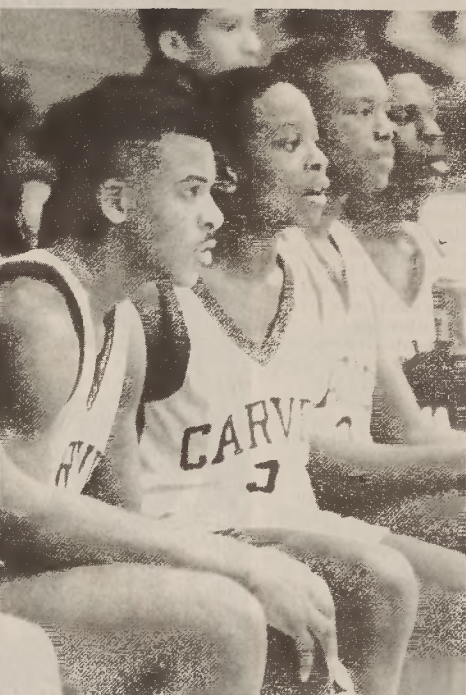
Coach Mike Huddleston's surprising bunch changed their strategy to a more deliberate style and the result was an eight-game winning streak and a runner-up finish in the CPC.

"We really came on at the end of the year," said Huddleston, the Coach of the Year with Martin Mount Tabor.

"I'm really proud of our kids. There were a few times when it seemed we were sure to lose and they sucked it up and won the ballgame. That's the mark of a good team."

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## Supporting Cast

Carver lost a few players to promotions and injuries late in the season. But the Yellowjackets strong fast break and stocked bench led them to an impressive 17-5 campaign (photo by Randy Pettitt).

adjustment at the half and Lyons held Besecker scoreless while Passarello had the hot hand.

"We needed two or three defensive players like him and we would've been in business," said Reynolds' rookie head coach.

Trzaskoma endured an up and down 11-8 season with another consistent scorer in Jaymar Thomas. The forward was near double figures all season long and sporadically had fantastic nights both rebounding and scoring.

## Vikings' Valuable Man

Though more people were familiar with Todd Jenkins, Coach VG. Simpson said that Eric Scott was the Vikings' most valuable asset.

"I just think he was our best ballplayer during the whole season," said Simpson, whose Vikings wrapped up a decent year at 9-11.

**-- Mike Huddleston  
West's head jayvee coach**

"Eric scored, played defense and was a good team player."

Jenkins, the Vikings' scoring leader, was known for his outside shot and penetration moves to the hoop.

Regarded as one of the favorites in the Metro, North had trouble with the Greensboro schools and Carver.

But, so did the rest of the league.

## Terrick The Terrific

As Parkland Coach Don Puckett so amply put it, "We don't have much, but we're not bashful to put it up."

Terrick Miller, the Mustang's heart and soul offensively, adhered to that advice with successful results.

Often one of the shortest players on the court, Miller made up for it by seizing the moment on transition buckets and with swift cuts to the basket on offense.

Parkland put a king-size scare in Mount Tabor during their second swing through the CPC thanks to a county-high 32 points from Miller. The Mustangs lost 58-56 in the final seconds.

"They had a 6-5 boy (Kyle Macemore) put back a missed one-and-one," Puckett recalled.

"We didn't have anyone over 6-1, so we didn't have anything to be ashamed of. We won that game really, they just outscored us."

While Miller was the offensive flash for Parkland, Kevin Tedder went almost unnoticed.

The scrappy 6-1 sophomore was the Mustang's most improved player, splitting time at center and at the big forward slot. He was one of their best rebounders, but made the all-city/county team for his desire to improve and learn the game of basketball.

## Swishin' Swaim

While varsity coach Napoleon Cloud ponders how to replace Julius "Jukie" Minor next season, the answer may be right under his nose.

Matt Swaim, who possesses better than average skills, was a coaches' dream.

"Tell him something once and consider it done," said jayvee head coach Swandell Cloud of Swaim.

"Matt listens to what you say and he does it whether he thinks it's right or not."

What the sophomore did was wear out quite a few nets and make passes rivaled only by the varsity. The Player of the Year candidate averaged 11.5 points a game and led the 8-11 Bobcats in assists.

His accomplice was Andre Owens, who led Glenn in scoring with 12.0 a contest and had a number of assists as well.

Glenn's crowning achievement was a comeback win over Dudley mid-way through the season. The Panthers held a 20-point cushion before Swaim and Owens ganged up to lift Glenn to 71-63 win.

## It's A Dirty Job

In a county loaded with basketball talent, someone has to occupy the cellar.

That distinction belonged to East Forsyth, which was led by their most consistent performer, Byron Johnson.

Johnson was good for 10.9 points a game and twice reached the 20's in two of their four wins.

Varsity coach Ron Jessup was quick to come to the rescue of his jayvee mentor, Doug Shields.

"It's all my fault," Jessup confessed.

"I kept all of his ballplayers on the varsity. I didn't leave the cupboard bare for the girls coach, but I made up for it with the jayvees, I guess."

Shields laughed in agreement. "I guess if I had three of his sophomores, then I would've won one or two more."

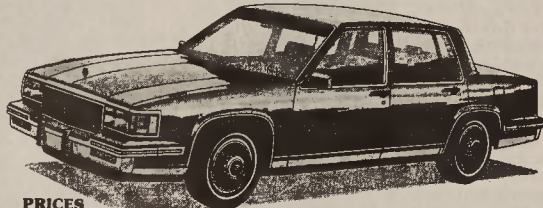
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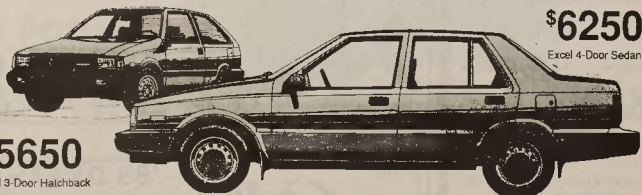
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