

# Doug to kids: 'Start looking in the home and schools for role models'

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — Former Washington Redskins quarterback Doug Williams put the heat to his young audience.

"How many people got on a pair of Air Jordans?" he asked.

Hands popped into the air all over the Southern University auditorium — lots of kids were wearing the tennis shoes promoted by Chicago Bulls standout Michael Jordan.

"How many got on Converse made by Magic (Johnson)?"

A few more hands went up.

"Well, my first role model BOUGHT me my first pair of tennis shoes," Williams said. That person, he said, was his big brother and high school coach, Robert Williams.

"You all around here talking about those role models. Think about it," Williams said. "Think about who puts that food on your table at night, who puts those Air Jordans on your feet.

"What we have to do is start looking in the home and in the schools for role models."

Williams spoke to nearly 1,000 young peo-

ple, civic leaders and lawmakers from around Louisiana at a conference sponsored by the Louisiana Legislative Black Caucus on problems of black boys and men.

Participants in "Save Our Sons" attended seminars about education, responsibility and survival.

Williams encouraged the teen-agers to turn away from expensive fads, get an education and set realistic goals.

"Everybody's not going to make pro, man. Very few," he said. "So some of us have got

to think about teaching, being lawyers, being doctors."

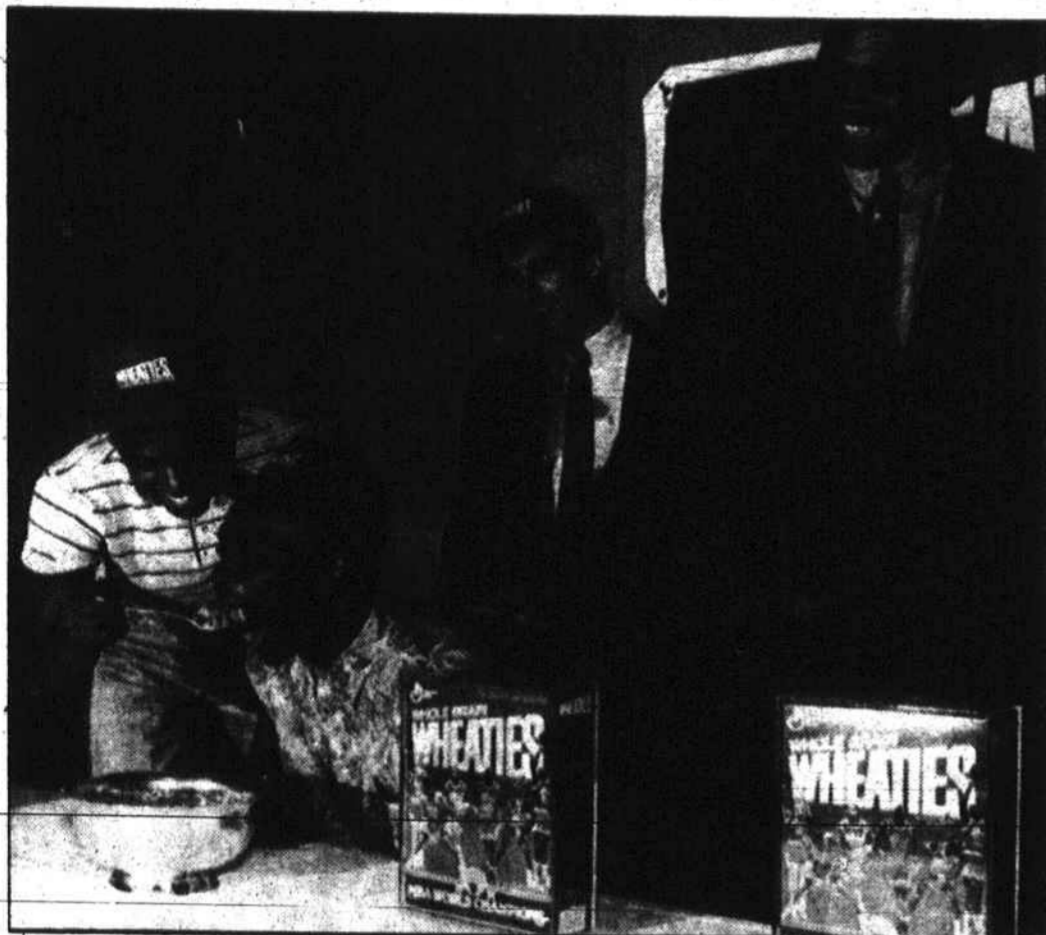
The participants — some of them from a juvenile reform school — heard about the consequences of getting into trouble from prison journalist Wilbert Rideaux, who is serving a life sentence at Angola for murder.

Rideaux, a high school drop-out, told the group that he educated himself through reading and writing. Education gave him a new and more meaningful life, even in prison, he said.

"Regardless of what you want to do, it starts with a dream. Dream it can be different," Rideaux said. "If I can do it from a prison cell, goddamn it, man, you ain't got no excuse."

Calvin McMorris, 16, of Baton Rouge said the conference was the most positive experience he's had in a long time.

"It made me aware of the significance of the black male," he said. "It made me aware that the black male is important and that people care about us."



Chicago Bulls B.J. Armstrong gives teammate Horace Grant a spoonful of Wheaties cereal as John Paxson and Bill Cartwright (far right) observe. As NBA champs, the Bulls are featured on the Wheaties box.

## Armstrong discovers that fame carries a price

CEDAR RAPIDS, Iowa (AP) — After just two years in professional basketball, B.J. Armstrong is learning that fame carries a price.

The former University of Iowa star was a top reserve for the Chicago Bulls, who last week won their first NBA championship. Suddenly, Chicago players other than Michael Jordan became celebrities.

"My life has changed since the moment we won it," said Armstrong, who appeared at a recent autograph session in Cedar Rapids.

"It's become harder just to go out and enjoy a good dinner. People are wanting a piece of your time. The media asks about your personal life, and I try to keep as low key as possible and never try to pretend I'm something bigger than I am."

The Bulls were given keys to

the city during a victory celebration at Chicago's Grant Park. After the starters gave short speeches, chants of "B.J., B.J." from the crowd brought Armstrong to the microphone.

Armstrong later joined his teammates in a Wheaties commercial, then flew to Cedar Rapids on Sunday for a three-hour autograph session at a card show. The Bulls were guests at the White House on Monday.

"Probably the most difficult task I'll have is keeping it all in perspective and remembering what got you there," Armstrong said. "I'll just try to live my life every day as normal as I possibly can. I'll just try to keep it normal and keep some sanity around the house this summer."

Armstrong received \$2,000 from Tri-State Baseball Cards and Shows of Dubuque to be at Sun-

day's session. Tri-State owner Dave Orr said 575 fans paid \$5 apiece for Armstrong's autograph.

During the show, Armstrong tried to put to rest a rumor that he was getting married.

"Hey, that's the first I've heard of it," he said. "I have no intentions of getting married. I plan on living my life this year as normal as possible."

As John Paxson's backup, Armstrong averaged 21 minutes, 8.8 points and 3.7 assists during the regular season. He finished his

four-year career at Iowa as the Hawkeyes' No. 3 all-time scorer and was selected by the Bulls in the first round of the 1989 NBA draft.

Although happy in Chicago, Armstrong might be more valuable to another team as a starter. Is a trade possible?

"You never know," Armstrong said. "There's so much wheeling and dealing. It's a business and I understand that. I'm proud I was a part of this team this year. I'm prepared for whatever happens."

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Lakers	1-0
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FPA	0-1
Salon Excel	0-1
Say No	0-1
Hoopers	0-1

### This Weekend's Games

Trouble vs. Ben's Men @ 9 a.m.  
FPA vs. Say No @ 10:30 a.m.  
Salon Excel vs. Celtics @ 12 Noon  
Lakers vs. Hoopers @ 1:30 p.m.

## Sanders ordered to pay \$10,000 a month child support

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A Texas appeals court today upheld a paternity lawsuit against Washington Redskins receiver Richard Sanders that ordered him to pay \$10,000 per month in child support.

Last year, a Travis County trial court ruled that Sanders was the father of a child born to Catherine Michelle Bumgardner of Austin.

The child required constant medical monitoring because she had frequent breathing problems and was at risk for Sudden Infant Death Syndrome, according to the opinion by the Austin-based 3rd Court of Appeals.

The opinion also said Sanders had sent the mother money for the breathing monitor. William Alberts, an attorney for Bumgardner, said Sanders has been

paying child support, but declined to say how much.

Sanders did not participate in the paternity and child support hearing.

On appeal, Sanders argued that he was served legal papers in the case improperly and that evidence was insufficient to prove he was the father. He also argued that the facts in the case did not support the child support

award, which included payment of health insurance and costs not covered by health insurance.

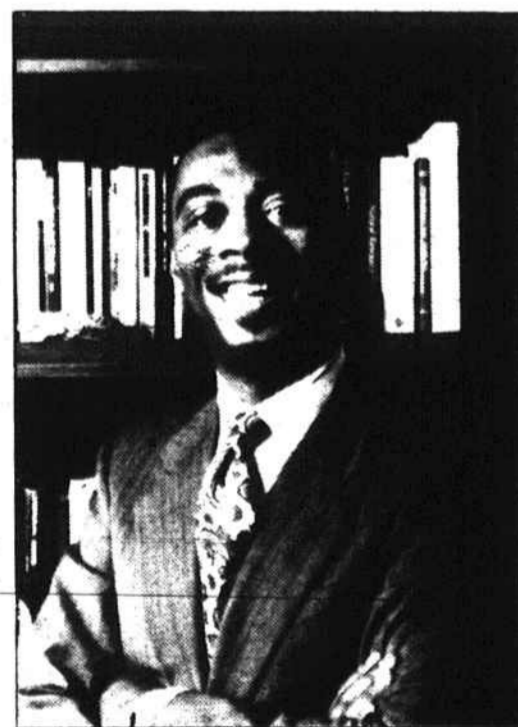
The 3rd Court overruled all his objections and affirmed the lower court decision.

"The child support award in this case is generous, but not unprecedented, considering the father's resources," Justice Marilyn Aboussie said in the court's decision.

## Clemons picked for major league baseball post

Special To The Chronicle

Ricky Clemons has recently joined Major League Baseball's public relations department as a supervisor for business and



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international.

Clemons, for the last three years, was president of ARC & Associates, a public relations and marketing firm in Washington, D.C. He also served as assistant athletic director for marketing and promotions at Howard University for the last two years.

Clemons started his baseball duties earlier this month. He is responsible for media relations involving Major League Baseball Properties and MLB International Partners.

Clemons resigned from his Howard post in March to concentrate full-time on his public relations firm. He founded ARC & Associates after working as marketing communications supervisor for the Miller Brewing Co. for three years.

The Durham native received his undergraduate degree in journalism from the University of Maryland in 1977.

It began March 18. It will end June 28.



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Help your kids take bigger steps this summer by calling (404) 590-1979 for more information about the camp and reservations. Reservations must be received by July 8, 1991.



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