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Panthers' Business Dealings Questioned

▲ Will African American-owned companies get share of \$175 million stadium construction?

By TRACEY R. MACK
The Charlotte Post

African American civic and business leaders are wondering who's winning contracts from Richardson Sports. Members of the Alliance of Organizations met with representatives from Richardson Sports, owners of the NFL's

Carolina Panthers last Tuesday to get answers to their questions.

The group demanded the Panthers reveal the number of local African American businesses who have received contracts to work on Carolinas Stadium. Alliance members fear Richardson Sports may not honor a Fair Share Agreement signed with the NAACP last

year. That agreement promised 10 to 15 percent minority participation in stadium construction.

"There appears to be a great amount of dissension in the black community, at least in terms of what kinds of bottom line results minority contractors are getting out of this stadium project," said Troy Watson, spokesman for the

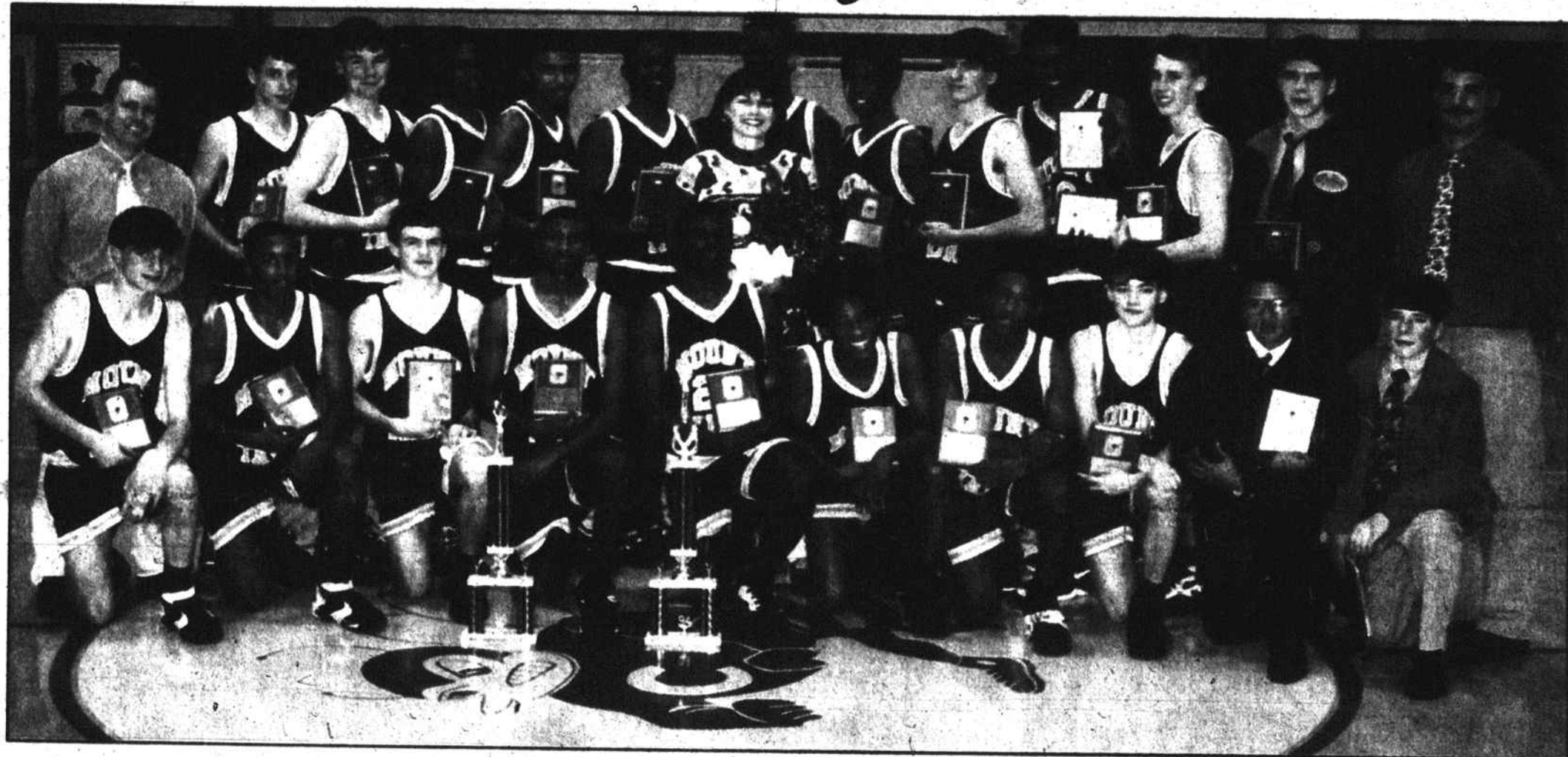
alliance. "About \$175 million is supposed to be spent (total cost of the stadium) and we don't see much tangible local results for minority contractors."

In a statement sent to the media prior to the meeting, Alliance members complained that there is too much secrecy with Fair Share's monitoring process.

The group likened the "project monitors" or the NAACP, to a house slave doing the dirty deeds for his master. During the meeting, the group alleged that they'd been told 15-20 percent or \$30 to \$40 million would go to local African Americans.

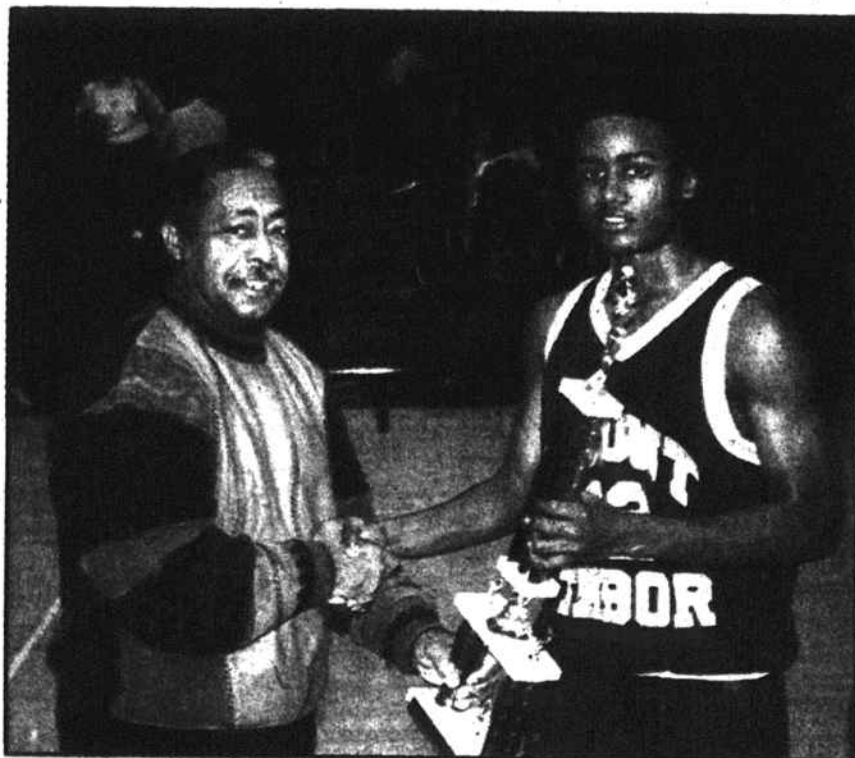
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JayVee Tourney Winners!



King of the Mount

Mount Tabor celebrated its victory in the David Lash/Winston-Salem Chronicle Junior Varsity Holiday Tournament championship Dec. 21. Mount Tabor Principal Martha Land, center of team picture, was on hand to root for the Spartans as they captured their first Lash/Chronicle championship. ... Complete coverage of the tournament begins on page 17. The Spartans beat Reynolds 61-58 in the title game. At the right, tournament director Robert Wynne congratulated tourney MVP Jimmy Caldwell of Mount Tabor.



Call For One Million Black Men to March

▲ Farrakhan calls for new march on Washington

By WILLIAM REED
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Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan has issued a call for one million black men to march in Washington, D.C. in October. The 61-year-old Farrakhan, who heads the largest Islamic community in North America, plans to ask all black females, children and non-black supporters to stage a general strike from work and school on the day of the march to illustrate the seriousness of their endeavor. The *Final Call*, the national newspaper of the Nation of Islam says, "As demands for change from 'angry, white males top

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City Seeking Funds For East Winston

▲ Feds deny request for enterprise designation

By DAVID L. DILLARD
Chronicle Staff Writer

City officials were disappointed that they didn't receive the \$3 million federal grant to help economically deprived areas, but they vowed to continue with the project.

Last week, the Department of Housing and Urban Development announced recipients of

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Boy Scouts Gets 1st Female Director

▲ Tracie Hunter says scouting still viable for black youth

By DAVID L. DILLARD
Chronicle Staff Writer

Tracie Hunter, a 35-year-old African American, broke through gender barriers by becoming the first female district director of the Boy Scouts of America.

Hunter, a 1990 graduate of Winston-Salem State University, said she became interested in scouting because it offers a positive program to black youths.

"It is still a viable program in the black community," she said. "It encourages leadership and teaches respect and responsibility. With the drugs and crime and so many negative things going on, we need as many positive pro-

grams in our community as possible."

Hunter took the district post with the Old Hickory Council of the Boy Scouts of America on July 25, which oversees nearly 9,000 scouts throughout the eight counties in her district.

Scout Executive Hal Murray, who oversees the Council, said Hunter's character and creativity set her apart from other male candidates who applied for the job.

"What struck me was her credentials, her gender didn't make any difference with me," Murray said. "She has

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