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Welcome Back, Trotter

Former Deac returns to Winston

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Basketball fans in Winston-Salem did more than welcome the Harlem Globetrotters to the city last Friday. Most people were also welcoming a former Wake Forest basketball star back.

Antwan Scott, former Deac and second-year Globetrotter, made his first visit to the Joel in more than four years when the Harlem Globetrotters entertained a packed house at the Lawrence Joel Coliseum last week. And he definitely made the best of his visit.

"Ah man, this feels good," Scott said. "This is the first time I've gotten to play on this court in a while. I mean, I've seen a few games, but this was my first time back here to play. I had a lot of fun. This was a blessing to get a chance to come back here and play. This is very special to me because I was here for four years. This was my family here at Wake."

Scott had to be a little nervous in front of the old fans. He hadn't performed in front of anyone in this area in quite a while. It seemed only natural to have butterflies heading into the opening tip-off.

"There were no butterflies or anything like that," Scott said. "This is what I do. I didn't have much butterflies even when I played here. I came out and played, dunked and got the crowd excited, and that's what I'm doing now. To be honest, this is easy for me. I'm just glad to have the opportunity to come back and play."

Scott definitely played well. He finished with 28 points to lead the Globetrotters to a 68-40 victory over the New York Nationals, the Globetrotter traveling team. Many of the Globetrotters did an excellent job entertaining the audience, but it was clear the night belonged to Scott. The crowd cheered louder after each of his scores and watched him a little harder than they did the rest.

"Hey, this was his (Scott's) night," said Chris Richardson, second-year Globetrotter and former UNLV star. "That's my home boy. We made this team together and everything. But this was his night. Antwan is from here. I felt like he gave the crowd something to look at. He had some nice dunks tonight."

Not only did Scott execute some nice dunks, but he also had the privilege of scoring the last points of the game. That came in the form of a jaw-dropping, two-hand windmill dunk moments before the final horn sounded. Red, white and blue graffiti shot from the backboard as Scott hung on the rim after the dunk.

"This was just an all-around good night for all of us," Scott concluded. "It was great to see the fans here. Winston has the best fans."

Robinson added: "The fans here are very energetic. This is a really nice crowd. They're really into the game, and that's what we like."

New York National player Lee Bethea said: "The



Antwan Scott, former Deac and second-year Globetrotter, hangs upside down from the rim after he scored the final points of the game at the Joel Coliseum last Friday. Scott played basketball for WFU from 1999 to 2002.

Whom are you picking?

FROM THE HUDDLE

Anthony Hill



The Final Four is finally here.

San Antonio is going to be on fire this weekend when the University of Connecticut plays Duke, and Oklahoma State goes up against Paul Hewitt's Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets.



Krzyzewski

Which teams are you all picking to win? I know what game I don't want to see, and that's a possible match-up of Duke and Georgia Tech. I mean, ACC fans see that game at least two times a year. That wouldn't be the most exciting game for us to watch. I wouldn't mind watching Duke bump heads with Oklahoma State or Georgia Tech playing UConn again. Remember, the Yellow Jackets gave the Huskies their first loss of the season. And that's also the game that made people realize that Georgia Tech may be for real this season. And they've proven to be just that.

Not too many people are giving them a chance to win it all this year, though. Even though they've beaten a number of good teams to be in the

See Hill on B3

Lady Ram bowlers to compete for NCAA title

CHRONICLE STAFF REPORT

The Winston-Salem State University bowling team will be competing for a national championship next week.

The eight-team field competing for the inaugural NCAA national collegiate bowling championship was announced last week by the National Collegiate Women's Bowling Committee, and the WSSU Lady Rams were selected to compete.

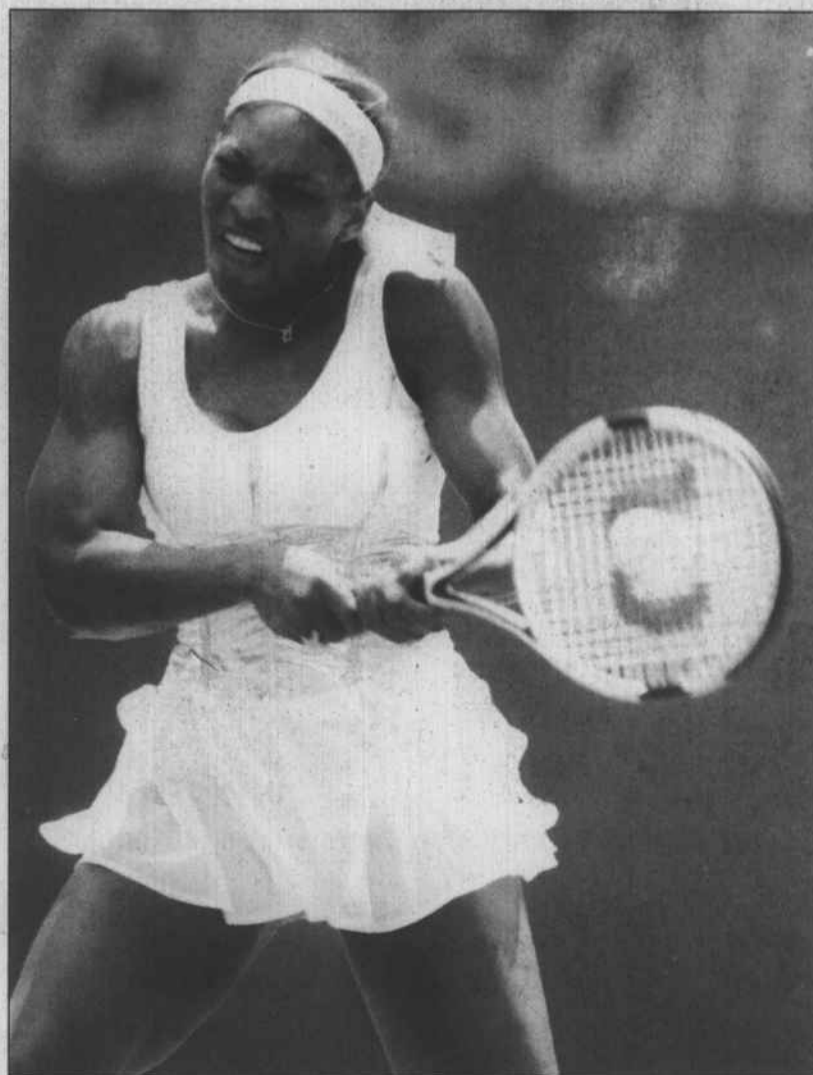
"To get a bid from the NCAA to compete for a national championship is a great honor," said WSSU Athletics Director Dr. Chico Caldwell. "It goes to show you what just a few dollars of scholarship money did for us. We were able, this past year, through the generosity of the scholarship given to us by Comfort Suites of Winston-Salem to award a scholarship to our women's bowling team. With that scholarship, we were able to retain a great bowler in LaToya Deschamps, and with the strong supporting cast that coach Kay has assembled, we were able to achieve a level of success that we could not have possibly imagined this season, in

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Back in Form



Serena Williams returned from an eight-month layoff to compete in the Nasdaq-100 Open in Key Biscayne, Fla., this week. Williams sported her "wonder women" outfit, as she calls it, during her quarterfinal victory. She'll face Eleni Daniilidou in the semifinals today.



WFU sprinter Mike Loyd was one of four Deacs to record regional qualifying times over the weekend.

Wake runners compete well

CHRONICLE STAFF REPORT

The Wake Forest track and field team split up and competed at two different meets last Friday and Saturday. Most of the team traveled to N.C. State for the Raleigh Relays while six athletes made the cross-country trip to Palo Alto, Calif., for the Stanford Invitational. Mike Loyd, Anna Sherman and Anne Bersagel each recorded regional qualifying times in their events over the weekend.

Loyd placed 11th in the 110-meter hurdles with a regional qualifying time of 14.35 at the Raleigh Relays. Sherman also competed in Raleigh and placed second overall in the 800-meter event with a time of 2:09.53. Bersagel was one of the six Deacs who traveled to Stanford, where she finished fifth in the 5,000-meter run with a qualifying time

of 16:24.57.

Other Deacons turning in impressive performances over the weekend included Diane Anderson, who placed fifth in the 200-meter race and 10th in the 400-meter race at Raleigh. Cassidy Richards finished seventh in the women's long jump, and Caitlin Dempsey placed fourth with a time of 18:15.81 in the unseeded 5,000-meter run.

Four Wake Forest relay teams also recorded top-10 finishes. The women's 4x800-meter team placed third, and the 4x1,500-meter team came in fifth. On the men's side, the Deacs' 4x800-meter squad recorded a third-place finish, and the 4x100-meter team came in ninth overall at Raleigh.

The Demon Deacons will return to action on Saturday when they travel to Atlanta for the Yellow Jacket Invitational.