

# Sports Beat

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## Ondra Richardson Is Post's "Athlete Of The Week"

By James Cuthbertson  
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Ondra Richardson is still mulling schools to attend to further his basketball career and, although he has not made a decision, he has not been at home resting either.

for his efforts last week he is the Charlotte Post's Spring Sports Star of the Week.  
In a 73-63 meet over Harding Ondra threw the shot put 49-feet and 9 1/2 inches triple jumped 46.1 feet and threw the discus 155.5 1/2 feet to lead his Trojans to victory.



Ondra Richardson  
...Great athlete  
Henderson ran the 100 yard dash in 10.3 and the 220 in 23.2.

Myers Park's sophomore Curtis Wilson got three hits of his team's eight to drive in Keith Berry in the 7th to give Myers Park a 4-3 win over West Charlotte.  
George Works drove in the winning run as North beat East 4-3.  
Charley Biddle of Garinger had two doubles and drove in three runs as Garinger beat East 13-3 and batted in three to beat Independence 5-2.

Deavers' shot put of 48-11 1/4 and Perry Caruthers triple jump of 40.6 and Malcolm Pharr's high jump of 6-0.  
Earlier in the week the Lions had upset Independence 70-66. In that meet Tommy Green threw the shotput 53 7/8.  
Tommy Reid is still pacing the city's long-jumpers, jumping 23 - 8 1/4 in the loss to the Lions.  
East's Broderick Bennett is running the 220 in 22.1 and Kenny McCorkle of West set school records of 22 - 8 1/2 in the long jump and 46 feet in the triple jump as the Indians beat the Mustangs for the first time in 13 years.

### TELLING IT LIKE IT IS.....

When the shouting and celebrating subside next week, it is hoped here that sports fans in the Charlotte area will continue to show some genuine love and appreciation for the University of North Carolina at Charlotte basketball team that has captured the hearts of millions with its performance in the NCAA Playoffs in Lexington, Ky. and Bloomington, Ind.

It's wonderful to mob Cedric "Cornbread" Maxwell, who captured MVP trophies at both tournaments. He's most deserving. It's grand to report to the airport in great numbers to welcome the team home from trips. They've proven their rights to be acclaimed as one of the best in the country. We'll even go along with throwing expensive toilet paper out of dorm windows. An avid fan needs ways to release his pent-up emotion. We'll take a fond understanding of those who wait in impossible lines under incredible duress for the available tickets.

However, the sound of the victory bell will shortly die and, generally the victors are soon forgotten, and their performance becomes only a record for history. It shouldn't be this way.

This reporter would like to see the basketball fans in the Charlotte area rally around the 49ers with the kind of support that will prove worthy of their efforts which catapulted UNCC and Charlotte onto the basketball maps for two straight years. The good citizens of this city should immediately purchase all of the 11,400 seats at the Charlotte Coliseum for next season's games.

This kind of enthusiastic support would give Coach Lee Rose invaluable assistance in his bid to build a major-league schedule. Few, if any, teams in the country would turn down an opportunity to play before a sellout crowd, and Rose would be armed with excellent credentials to support his recruiting program.

**HITTING THE HIGH NOTES**  
Doc Ellis, the controversial pitcher with the New York Yankees, is making big plans to marry lovely Renee Washington, a professional model for Saks Fifth Avenue in New York and New Jersey. The date has been set for this summer in Pittsburgh, Pa.

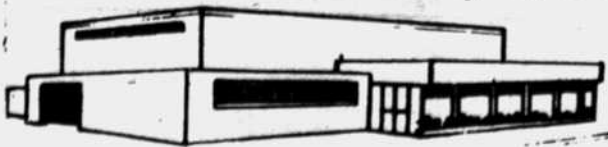
Bet you didn't know that Howard met Clemson on the baseball field in Clemson, S.C. last week? The Bison will face what Coach Church Hinton calls "the toughest schedule along the east coast."

Casey Herman Thomas, the highly successful coach of the popular Morris Field Rangers baseball team, is setting a precedent. He sent his charges indoors at J.T. Williams's gym this week for practice. Morgan State has added another MEAC title to its prized trophy case. The Bears won the conference sixth annual wrestling championship in Greensboro last week.

Bill Hayes continues to corral top athletes for the Winston-Salem State football squad. Among the six recruits signed last week were Keny Washington, 6-3, 270-pound offensive tackle from Bond Wilson High in Charleston, S.C. and David Fraley, 6-1, 180-pound quarterback from Milledgeville, Ga. Hayes is also high on Maurice Shands, 6-3, 210-pound running back from Armstrong High in Richmond, Va. "He's a super athlete, he's got 38 inch vertical jump. He could develop into the best back ever at this school," is Hayes' evaluation of the 9.7 sprinter.

Remember Steve Joyner and Cecil Bradshaw, the Winston-Salem natives who provided some memorable moments on the basketball courts for the Golden Bulls of Johnson C. Smith University a few years back? They're back together again. Joyner works for the Community Drug Rehabilitation program in Richmond, Va. and is the assistant coach at Virginia Union.

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Coach Eddie McGirt will condition his squad on Monday through Friday, beginning at 4:15 p.m. on the westside campus. The Annual Spring Game will be held Saturday, April 23.

One of the most highly successful coaches in the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association, McGirt expects "about 80 or 90" athletes to report for the training.

The Bulls are considered the team to beat in the conference next fall.

### YWCA To

### Offer Morning

### Bonus Classes

A group of morning "Bonus Classes" will be given at the Trade St. YWCA during a three-week mini term between winter and spring classes.

First, a class on "Finding Roots" will be taught by Elizabeth Williams, historian of the First Presbyterian Church and Chairperson of the Research Committee of Latta Place. Miss Williams will teach practical methods of researching your family history. The class will be held on three consecutive Tuesdays, March 29, April 5 and April 12, from 10 a.m. to noon. The cost is \$3 for all three sessions.

"Nutrition and Your Natural Food Store" is the title of a class by Kate Zender of the People's Food Store. This will be an introductory course on natural foods and various products to be found in a natural food store. Scheduled for three Wednesdays, March 30, April 6 and April 13 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, the class will also be held at the Trade St. YWCA. The charge is \$5 for three sessions.

A third class, free to members only, is "Exploring Uptown Charlotte." This class affords an opportunity to go "uptown" with a group and learn what is happening at Spirit Square, Fourth Ward Restoration, Latta Arcade, and the Radisson Hotel. Have lunch out at your own expense, and wear walking shoes.

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