

PREP CHATTER



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Olympic's Baby Trojans have been enjoying a phenomenal success this season. The starters are 6'2" center Merdic Green, 6'1" forward Lamar Simond, 5'8" point guard Skip Glenn, 5'10" guard Antonio Howard and 5'11" forward Donald Simmons.

Other players for the Trojans are Anthony Ray, Forrest Kenley, Dean McFadden, Bobby Green, Jim Corry, Darrick Féwell, Vincent White, and Reggie Wilson.

The Trojans won their first six games. They have a string of home victories dating back to last year that reached ten. They have won seven and lost two.

"They are a well disciplined bunch," said coach Britt Alley of his charges. "They practice with a lot of intensity for two hours daily. Their shot selection is very good and they play a good zone defense."

The members of this year's team came from Kennedy and Smith Junior High teams who were .500 last year.

The outstanding player on the team is Lamar Simond who is averaging 20 plus points per game.

The Trojans have speed, depth, and a good pressing game.

Last year the junior varsity was 12-8. This year they look for an even better record. **WHATEVER HAPPENED TO FORMER OLYMPIC STANDOUT FRANK CHRISTOPHER "DOWNTOWN" BROWN?** Brown is a freshman at Tyler Junior College in Tyler-Jacksonville, Texas. He is starting at the point guard and is averaging 13 points per game for the league leader of the East Texas Junior College Conference.

Former Independence standout Derrick DeWalt is a senior swingman for the Lawrence University Vikings of Appleton, Wisconsin.

The 6'4", 180-pounder is a starter and team captain. He is averaging 13 points per game for the eastern Wisconsin school and scored 20 in a game earlier in the season.

RANKINGS

This gets harder to do every week. With independence out in front, there is no rest among the next nine. Whoever is not on a given night is going to win in the boy's race. **Boys**

1. Independence, 2. Myers Park, 3. South, 4. West, 5. Olympic, 6. North, 7. East, 8. Garinger, 9. West Charlotte, 10. Harding.

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Olympic's Gene Young scored 16 points, grabbed 13 rebounds and attributed five assists as Olympic pulled a tremendous upset as they beat the Vikings at Olympic 82-60 last week. With Jeff Miller in back court Olympic is set.

Former West Charlotte Football star Henderson Threatt admitted that he enjoyed the Demon Deacons' Mirage Bowl trip to Tokyo.

"It was a very interesting place," said Threatt who attends Wake Forest University. "It looks a little like New York City, a place that I have never been to, but that's what all the players compared it to."

"We almost beat Clemson over there," he stated proudly. "We had a lot of fun. There were all of the conveniences that we have here. McDonald's, Kentucky Fried Chicken. They had it all."

Watching the Sophomores Of the Southwestern 4A

Little Melvin Young of West Charlotte High did a great job when he showed off his point guard abilities on the varsity. He will be a great one before he leaves. He has a real cool disposition and steady confidence on the court.

Willie Walker contributed 12 of Garinger's points in a loss to East Mecklenburg.

James Elmore hit 21.

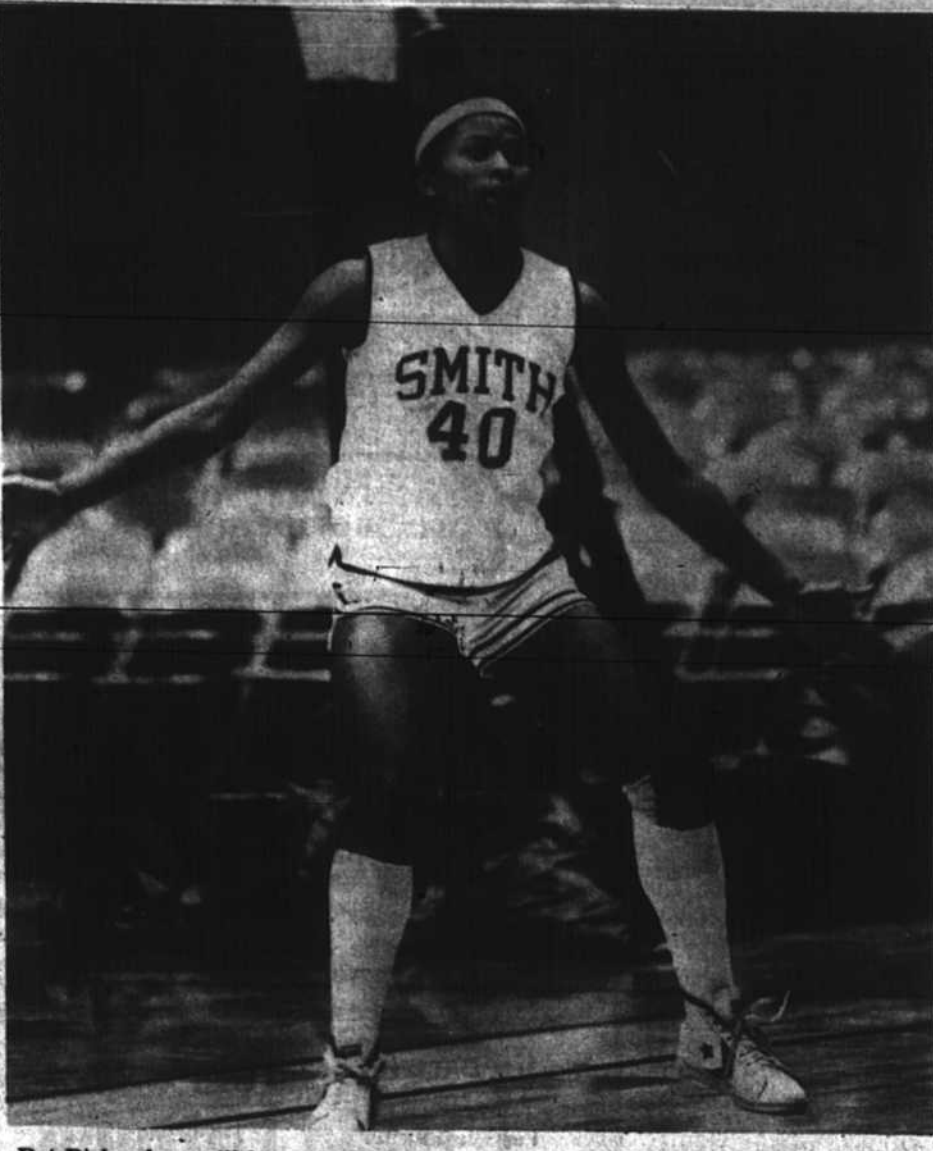
Can't you see these two next year with some experience under their belt. They will be phenomenal.

Promising New Player In The League

Five-eight guard Jeff Miller of Olympic came off the bench and apparently earned a starting assignment as he scored 16 points in the Trojans' win over the Vikings and steadied the Trojans' former weak back court with Gene Young to give the team some stability.

WHERE THEY PLAY

High Schools FRIDAY, JANUARY 21 Olympic at East Harding at Garinger West at Independence W. Charlotte at Myers Pk. South at North TUESDAY, JANUARY 25 East at Harding Garinger at Independence Myers Park at West	North at W. Charlotte Olympic at South Colleges SATURDAY, JANUARY 22 Livingstone at JCSU Shaw at N.C. Central St. Augustine's at Fayetteville State THURSDAY, JANUARY 27 JCSU at St. Augustine's
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Pat Richardson will be on Livingstone's 23 points and plucked 13 rebounds against Livingstone in Salisbury last week.

Here Saturday Night

Young Golden Bulls Host

Livingstone Blue Bears

By Phil Busher
Special To The Post
The young Golden Bulls continue to hustle their way into the CIAA Southern Division race when they host Livingstone for a double-header in Brayboy Gym Saturday night. The heavy fireworks will likely occur earlier in the women's contest, though.

Last week Steve Joyner's women handed the Lady Bears their first conference defeat in Salisbury. Livingstone has firepower in forwards Debra Jenkins (21.4 points per game) and Debbie Brezani (16 points per game). Certainly Smith center, Pat Richardson, who just returned to the line-up after a two week absence, will be a marked woman after her 23 points

Borg To Face

Roscoe Tanner

In Match Here

Bjorn Borg will appear for the first time in Charlotte in a challenge match against Roscoe Tanner at the Charlotte Coliseum on Wednesday, February 2, at 6:30.

The two will square off in a best two of three set match in the "Michelob Light Winter Challenge" which will begin with a preliminary match featuring two of the world's top junior players and an appearance by an ensemble from the Charlotte Pops.

Robert A. Barnett of Michelob Light and sponsor of the event said, "This may be the finest tennis event ever held in Charlotte. Next door neighbor Tanner is the classic American serve-volley player against Borg, the master of the baseline game." The event presented by WBT-WBTV.

Borg, one of the all time greats, is five-time Wimbledon Champion and six-time French open winner while Tanner has been perennially in the American Top ten over the past decade; last defeating Borg in the U.S. Open in 1979, while losing to him in the Wimbledon final that year.

Tickets to the "Michelob Light Winter Challenge" went on sale Wednesday, January 19, at the Charlotte Coliseum, Sears, Belks and other usual Coliseum outlets. Mail orders and box seat orders will be taken immediately. For mail-in orders write: Winter Challenge, The Charlotte Coliseum, 2700 East Independence Blvd., Charlotte, N.C. 28205, and include a self-addressed stamped envelope and \$1 for handling. For box seat orders, call 375-4902. For other ticket information call 372-3600.

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and 13 rebounds against the Lady Bears. The new faces are beginning to mesh for Joyner's squad. Freshman Cassandra Howell is a deadly shooter inside while Sonya Dalton has added a strong passing dimension to accompany point guard Odelia Johns. It's worth getting to Brayboy gym early Saturday (game time, 5:30 p.m.) for a look at two of the Southern Division's better women's teams.

Veterans Tobe Jackson and Roosevelt McGruder are on a roll with leadership and clutch play for the Golden Bulls. McGruder is shooting a torrid 60 percent from the floor since Christmas break. The key to Smith hanging tough in every game so far has been teamwork.

"The players have shown enthusiasm for every role we've asked each to do," noted Moore. "They have a

winning attitude and are willing to work on the little points of their game that add up to big contributions on the court."

There's been a succession of Bulls stepping into the spotlight on any given night. Anthony Murphy, John Rousey, Darin Park and Elbert Montgomery are all new faces making important contributions. A Bull strength, though, has been the steady play of center Phil Smith (16 points per game, 9.1 rebounds per game) as well as McGruder and Jackson.

The young Bulls will face their greatest challenge when they travel to St. Augustine's next Thursday. The Falcons are undefeated in Southern Division play and have recently run roughshod over Northern Division power Virginia State, 135-105. The Smith women will host N.C. Central on Monday at Brayboy at 7 p.m.

CIAA Basketball Roundup N. C. Central Takes Over Southern Division's Top Spot

Special To The Post
Hampton, VA. The Pirates of Hampton (3-0) took over the Northern Division leadership with wins over Virginia State (90-71), N.C. Central (97-94) and St. Paul's (72-70). A half game back are the Norfolk State Spartans (2-0) who downed J. C. Smith (79-77) and Virginia State (97-94).

The Eagles of N. C. Central (3-0) are atop the Southern Division and St. Augustine's (1-0) are second. St. Augustine's scored a CIAA record 135 points downing Virginia State 135-105. The 240 total points is also a CIAA record. The Falcons were led by Mark Davis and Donald Carroll with 35 points each.

Shaw's Victor Blakey has taken over the scoring leadership on the men's side with a 24.6 average. Darrell Stith (VSU-24.5), Julius Norman (VSU-23.7) and David Pope (NSU-22.5) are in hot pursuit.

David Binion of N. C. Central remains the rebound leader at 17.2, he is followed by Adrian Wright (LC-14.7) while Charles Iakley (VUU-13.4) and Greg Hines (HI-13.4) are tied for third. David Pope is at 13.2.

Concetta Smith of Fayetteville State, with a 24.8 average, is the women's scoring leader. She is followed by Deborah Jenkins (LC-21.8) and Mona McLaurin (NCCU-20.8).

Norman "Mean Jean" Knight of Norfolk State remains the rebounding leader at 17.8. Her closest competition is Shaw's Kim Ambrose at 14.7.

CIAA TRACK NEWS: David McFadden, NAIA, NCAA Division II defending Triple Jump National champion, started the New Year off right, breaking records at the East Coast Invitational Indoor Track Meet in Richmond, Virginia's Arthur Ashe Center. David broke the long jump record at 25' and returned on his last jump and broke his record at 25'3 1/2". The old record was 24'3". He also broke the triple jump record with a leap of 53'5 1/2" breaking the old record of 52'10 1/2". Reuben Clark finishes fourth in the mile run. CIAA WRESTLING NEWS: Norfolk State defeated Hampton Institut-

25-20 and Apprentice 31-18. Elizabeth City State Vikings captured second place in the Newport News Apprentice School Wrestling tournament that was held January 14-15. ECSU had three champions: Larry Pannell (134 lbs.), Anthony Green (150 lbs.) and Corkey Scott (177 lbs.). They recorded one second place (Juanito Jones-HWT); two third places (J. Wright-126 lbs.) and (George Vass-167 lbs.) while Steve Johnson finished fourth at 142 lbs.

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