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Let's hear it for the girls. South Mecklenburg's Terri LeBlanc scored victories in the high jump, 5'7 1/4", 200 dash (a record time of 22.45), 200 dash (a record time of 22) and the 100 dash, (12.07) in girls' regional competition.

She will advance to state competition at North Carolina State University. Also making the state from Charlotte are Patrina Massey of Independence in the triple jump, Faye Miller of Independence in the shot put, Patrina Massey of Independence in the 100 hurdles, the Independence 800 yard relay team, the North Mecklenburg 400 relay team, Janet McAfee of North in the 200, and the Independence 1600 relay team. South was second in the meet and Independence third.

Let's hear it for the boys! Congratulations to the East Mecklenburg Eagles for a stirring performance in the North Carolina Western Regional Track Meet held at Myers Park High School. The Eagles led by sprinter Greg McCollum won the western track and field championship with 48 points.

Other Charlotte teams doing well were Independence 3, Garinger 5, South 6 and Myers Park 7.

McCollum won the 100 meter dash (10.74) and the 200 meter dash (21.55) and anchored the winning 1600 meter relay team with Tyrone Scott, Eric Landis, and Gerald Platt in a record-breaking time of 3:18.4.

Independence's relay team spent the night erasing records with Harold Simpson, James Jett, Bill Beamer and Bobby Sloan posting record times in the 400 and 800 meter relays. The Patriots' 1:25.6 in the 800 is one of the better times in the nation and coach McAfee said the time in the 400 (41.8) is one of the better in the state.

Elton Bailey (shot put), Teddy Pauling (300 hurdles), Simpson (200 meter dash) won qualifying sports for Independence.

The Garinger 400 meter relay team also came in second place and advanced.

Other Southwestern 4A players qualifying were Myers Park's Alvin Blakeney in the long jump, Myers Park's Torrence Casey in the discus, South Mecklenburg's Jay Deaver in the discus, South Mecklenburg's Donnell Walton in the triple jump, East's Tyrone Scott in the high jump, Myers Park's Darrell Clark in the 110 hurdles, East's Eric Landis in the 1600 run and Garinger's Thayne Harmon in the 800.

..Congratulations to the Southwestern 4A All-Conference Golf Team.

They are Ron Hooper of Harding, P. J. McCord of South, George Payne of Myers Park, Brad Kennedy of South, Buddy Wells of South, Jeff Lowe of West Charlotte, Mike Danyluk of Independence and Tommy Funderburk of East Mecklenburg.

..Final Baseball Rankings

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

..Congratulations to the Southwestern 4A All-Tournament Team: catcher - Stacky Hicks of North; pitchers - Jamie Furr of Olympic, Jimmy Christian of North, and Doug Hanline of North.

Also first baseman Forest Hegler of Independence; second baseman, Wayne Barker of North Mecklenburg; third baseman, Keith Green of West Mecklenburg; shortstop, Bobby Harris of North; outfielders, Jeff Atkins of Independence; John Little of Olympic, Jay McGraw of North, Jeff Bidy of Independence; and designated hitter Rob Kistler of Independence.

Martin Forney of North Mecklenburg as utility infielder and Tim Lanmeyer of Olympic as utility outfielder also made the team.

Wayne Barker of North was most valuable player.

Let's hear it for the North Mecklenburg Vikings, the conference baseball champions.

With a 9-4 win over Independence, the 18-4 Vikings advanced to the state tournament that begins this week.

Behind 1-0 in the fourth, the Vikings got a single from Wayne Barker who stole second and came in on Bobby Harris' single. Jay McGraw brought Harris home. Pitcher Jimmy Christian tripled and scored on Martin Forney's sacrifice fly to give North a 4-1 lead. Tom Malchesky homered for Independence in the bottom of the third.

The Vikings added a run in the fifth when Harris scored.



Bill Malone (l) and Lawrence Pettis were two of several Charlotteans inducted into the NC Central University Hall of Fame. These men were honored because of their contributions to the athletic history of NC Central University. Malone was cited in recognition of outstanding individual athletic achievement while Pettis was honored in recognition of his contributions to the success of the first Championship Team in the sport of football.

**Fifth Softball Marathon Will Be Held**

Softball enthusiasts from throughout the Mecklenburg and Union County areas will be joining forces on June 9 and 10, at Hornet's Nest Park in Charlotte for the Fifth Annual Softball Marathon for Easter Seals.

"FIVE YEARS TOGETHER" is the theme of this year's marathon, co-sponsored by 1110 WBT and Budweiser Light (Bealer Wholesale). Teams comprised of local individuals participate in the event by securing pledges and playing against other teams with similar abilities. Each team can rate their own playing ability, from "Highly Skilled" to "What's a Softball."

From its inception in 1980, the Charlotte Softball Marathon has more than doubled in size, raising over \$13,000 in 1983 with fifty teams participating. WBT Sports Journalists, Paul Ingles and Steve Martin, Honorary Chairmen for the event, anticipate that this year's marathon will surpass the state's largest, held in Raleigh. "The people of Charlotte have really rallied behind this event," they said. Ingles and Martin report 65 teams have signed up for the Charlotte Marathon to date.

Prizes will be awarded to top fundraising teams and individuals, including a team pizza party from Godfather's Pizza, a weekend for two at the Sand Dunes Resort Hotel in Myrtle Beach, a membership at P.B. Scott's Music Hall of Charlotte, and a dinner for two at Bennigan's Restaurant. Participants can also qualify for T-shirts, can huggers, duffel bags, and trophies.

Rob Barnett, of Bealer Wholesale in Charlotte, co-sponsor of the event, encourages local businesses to form teams and join in the effort to make the Fifth Annual Softball Marathon a great success. Any individual can register a team simply by calling Easter Seals, toll free, at 1-800-662-9712.

Funds raised in the 1984 Softball Marathon will help Easter Seals continue to provide direct services to physically handicapped children and adults in North Carolina. Easter Seal services include equipment purchases and loans, speech and language therapy, physical and occupational therapy clinics, adapted swim programs, support groups, and residential camping at Camp Easter-in-the-Pines.

**Kappas Protest Actions Of Civil Rights Commission**

"The United States Civil Rights Commission traditionally considered the 'watchdog' of civil rights in this nation, has been changed by President Reagan," said Grand Polemarch Gordon.

"The President has converted the agency in a direction which gives the impression that the commission's objective is to destroy the civil rights of black Americans," said Grand Polemarch Gordon. The newly constituted commission recently voted against the use of racial or sex quotas to overcome historical job discrimination, thus reversing a long-established commission policy. The Commission's Chairman, Clarence Pendleton Jr., has characterized the commission's devastating action as merely gaining philosophical control.

"The real losers in the Commission's fight are black Americans who are now witnessing Mr. Pendleton and the Commission effectively eradicate the hopes of millions of black Americans who have dreamed of but have never experienced equality in this nation," said Grand Polemarch Robert L. Gordon.

The Commission adopted a statement deploring the Detroit Police Department's use of racial quotas to eradicate the effects of past discrimination in that department even though the courts have held the department's procedure to be legal.

"The new direction of this Commission is to restore racial inequality as the official policy of this

nation as it was prior to the 1954 Brown vs. Board of Education decision," said Gordon. "The deleterious actions adversely impact on the lives of all black Americans and generations of blacks yet unborn."

Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. deploras the despicable action taken by Chairman Clarence Pendleton and the Commission as action specifically designed to mortally wound hopes of millions of blacks for a better tomorrow.

**High Blood Pressure**

The Greater Carolinas Chapter of the American Red Cross, in observance of National High Blood Pressure Month, will offer a one-hour "talk" on high blood pressure on May 30. The presentation begins at 7 p.m. and takes place at the Red Cross, 2425 Park Road. The program is free and open to the public.

Fran Frazier, a volunteer Registered Nurse for Red Cross, will address such topics as: a definition of high blood pressure, and preventative measures to maintain good health.

**Family Reunion**

The first Family Reunion of the Scales and Tillman family will be held on July 7, beginning at 3 p.m.

This event will take place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Scales, of 9216 Trinity Road.

Further information concerning the family reunion will be available at a later date. If you have any questions, you may call the Scales' residence at (704) 394-5889.

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