

With James Cuthbertson



James

# Prep Chatter

It is time for football season to begin. Shake the pom poms and kick out the cleats, for the pageantry will begin soon.

In a little over six weeks, the season will begin with scrimmage games.

On August 14 at 7:30 p.m., East will be at West Charlotte and Harding at South.

Olympic will host Hickory on Friday, August 15, at 7:30 p.m.

On Tuesday, August 19, East Gaston will visit Hunter Huss at 7 p.m.

Other scrimmages pit Harding at Independence on Wednesday, August 20, Olympic at Ashbrook, 7:30 p.m. on August 21, South Iredell at Crest at 7:30 p.m. on August 21, Myers Park at Northwestern of Rock Hill on Friday, August 22, at 7:30 p.m., South at Morganton Freedom at 7:30 p.m. on August 22, Hunter Huss at West Charlotte at 7:30 p.m. on August 27, and West Mecklenburg at R.S. Central at 7:30 p.m. on August 27.

On Thursday, August 28, Ashbrook will visit Shelby and Crest is at A.A. Reynolds in Asheville. Both games are at 7 p.m.

A partial slate of action will begin on Friday, August 29, with a full slate commencing on Friday, September 5.

Richmond County is at East and Morganton Freedom is at Harding on the 29th.

On the fifth South is at Ashbrook, Burns at Crest, East Gaston at North Gaston, Shelby at Hunter Huss, West Charlotte at Garinger, North at Independence, Myers Park at Rock Hill, Olympic at South and Hickory at West Mecklenburg.

## 1986 SOUTHWESTERN AAAA/TRI COUNTY AAAA VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 29**  
Richmond County @ East Mecklenburg  
Morganton Freedom @ Harding

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5**  
South Point @ Ashbrook  
Burns @ Crest  
East Gaston @ North Gaston  
Shelby @ Hunter Huss  
East Mecklenburg - Open  
West Charlotte @ Garinger  
Harding - Open  
North Mecklenburg @ Independence  
Myers Park @ Rock Hill  
Olympic @ South Mecklenburg  
Hickory @ West Mecklenburg

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12**  
Ashbrook @ East Gaston  
Crest @ Shelby  
Hunter Huss @ Kings Mountain  
East Mecklenburg @ Olympic  
North Mecklenburg @ Garinger  
Harding @ Myers Park  
Independence @ East Burke  
South Mecklenburg @ West Charlotte  
West Mecklenburg @ South Point

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19**  
North Gaston @ Ashbrook  
Crest @ Hunter Huss  
East Gaston @ South Point  
East Mecklenburg @ Harding  
Garinger @ West Mecklenburg  
Independence @ West Charlotte  
Myers Park @ Olympic  
South Mecklenburg @ North Mecklenburg

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26**  
Ashbrook @ Myers Park  
West Charlotte @ Crest  
North Mecklenburg @ East Gaston  
Hunter Huss @ Garinger  
East Mecklenburg @ Independence  
Olympic @ Harding  
West Mecklenburg @ South Mecklenburg

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3**  
Ashbrook @ Crest  
East Gaston @ Olympic  
Independence @ Hunter Huss  
South Mecklenburg @ East Mecklenburg  
Garinger @ Myers Park  
Harding @ North Mecklenburg  
West Mecklenburg @ West Charlotte

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10**  
Garinger @ Ashbrook  
Crest @ West Mecklenburg  
East Gaston @ East Mecklenburg  
Hunter Huss @ South Mecklenburg  
Myers Park @ Independence  
West Charlotte @ Harding  
North Mecklenburg @ Olympic

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17**  
Ashbrook @ Independence  
Crest @ North Mecklenburg  
West Mecklenburg @ East Gaston  
East Mecklenburg @ Hunter Huss  
Garinger @ Harding  
Myers Park @ South Mecklenburg  
Olympic @ West Charlotte

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24**  
South Mecklenburg @ Ashbrook  
West Charlotte @ East Gaston  
Hunter Huss @ North Mecklenburg  
East Mecklenburg @ Myers Park  
Independence @ Garinger  
Harding @ Crest  
Olympic @ West Mecklenburg

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31**  
Ashbrook @ East Mecklenburg  
East Gaston @ Crest  
Myers Park @ Hunter Huss  
South Mecklenburg @ Garinger  
Harding @ West Mecklenburg  
Olympic @ Independence  
North Mecklenburg @ West Charlotte  
**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7**  
Hunter Huss @ Ashbrook  
Crest @ Olympic  
Harding @ East Gaston  
Garinger @ East Mecklenburg  
Independence @ South Mecklenburg  
West Charlotte @ Myers Park  
West Mecklenburg @ North Mecklenburg

KICK OFF: 8:00 P.M.

Football Play-offs begin November 14, 1986 - completed by December 12, 1986

Congratulations to Rayford Philips. The ninth grader at Albemarle Road placed first in the 100 meters, 200 meters and 400 meters Southern Junior High track meet.

He ran the 100 in 11.2 seconds, 200 in 22.9 and 400 in 50.6. The 400 time was a league record. He runs for the Charlotte Striders and plays football and basketball.

Andrea Stinson is still doing it. She led the Charlotte Monarchs into the third round of the girls' 18 and under AAU-USA Junior Olympic basketball nationals in Plainville, Connecticut.

The team won, 82-62, and she scored 27 points. In the quarterfinals Stinson scored 31 to lead the team past Tennessee by an 85-72 count.

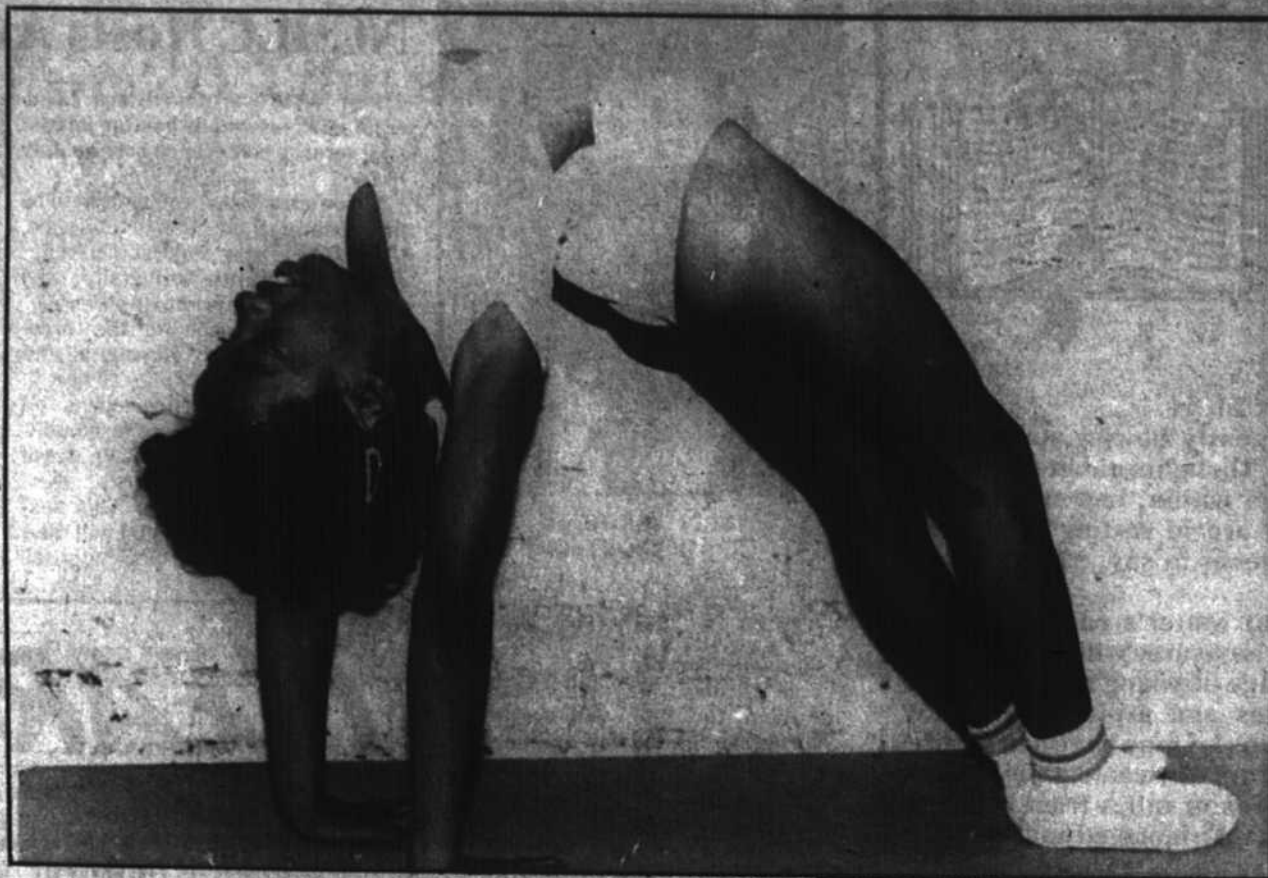
Nineteen of her points were in the first half. In the semifinals, Stinson scored 42 points to dominate Michigan and led the Monarchs into the finals by a 72-70 count.

The Monarchs were playing in their first title game. Stinson, a rising senior at North Mecklenburg (defending state girls' champions), hit 20 of 29 from the floor.

The Charlotte Monarchs rode 43 points in the championship game. The locals beat Michigan, 85-79, in overtime.

Stinson scored 215 points in the tournament and averaged 30.7 points in seven games.

She was named to the All American team.



Letoya Rhinehart shows-off her skills by positioning in a back bend.

## Young Gymnast Is A "Junior Elite"

By Joe Brown  
Post Staff Writer

Where do young gymnastic star hopefuls come from? Well, certainly not where fairies fly. But they do come through the ranks like little gymnast Letoya Rhinehart, who might believe in fairies, but believes moreso that hard work can carry her as high as the stars.

Letoya is a bright, quiet, and shy little gymnast—well at least during an interview she is—but when it is time for her to tumble and flip, the quietness and shyness are cast away and away she goes!

She stands about 3'8" tall, weighs about 68 pounds which is all attached to a tiny little frame which makes her just the right size for a tumbling artist. A nine and a half year-old grinny smile tells one that she is still very much a kid at heart and a constant response to correct mommy when she gives the information wrong; definitely assures an on-looker that she knows her gymnastics. Her mother, Carolyn Rhinehart, takes a deep breath, leans back in her chair, and remembers when it all started five years ago.

"In kindergarten, she could do real cartwheels, so it was a natural thing. Then one day she came home and asked to take gymnastics. Since then she has been flipping all over the place. She took

dancing when she was four and had danced for two years," Mrs. Rhinehart retold. The young springer was asked what she liked best about gymnastics. Letoya replied, "I just like how they flip all over the place." She's one of a special group of training gymnasts called a "Junior Elite Gymnast." These little leapers in training never compete, because in this program, they spend all their time develop-

ing strengths and skills to be fine-tuned competitors in the future. The junior elites are monitored for their abilities through levels. These girls are placed on levels 1 though 6, according to her level of ability. Letoya is a Junior Elite Level three.

"I like where I am. I am going to go to the next step when I pass the next test," Letoya confidently nods her head.

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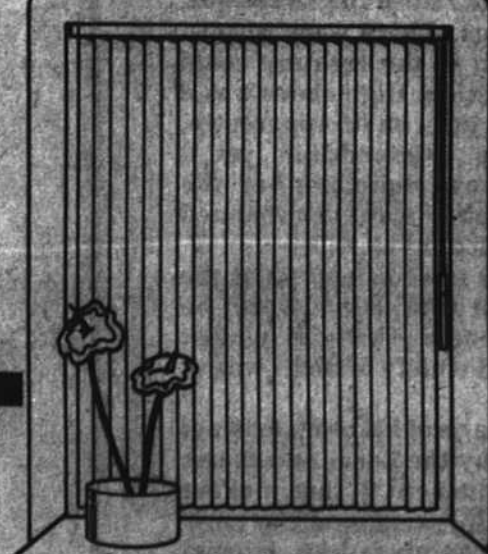
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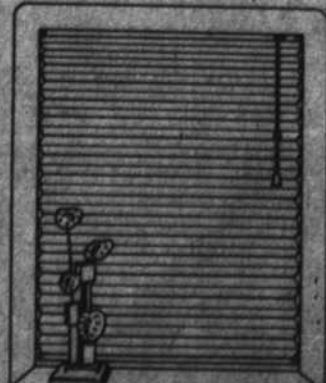
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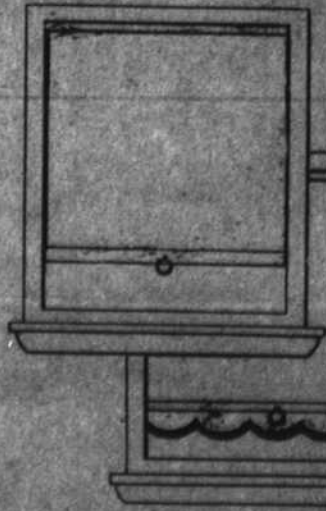
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