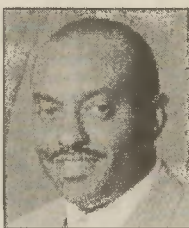


FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 1 THROUGH APRIL 8, 1997

# BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS PAGE

## THAT TIME OF THE YEAR

▼ BLACK COLLEGES JOIN SHUFFLE OF GRIDIRON AND HARDWOOD COACHES



CIAA Photo  
**McNEILL:** To leave Johnson C. Smith for Savannah State.

## UNDER THE BANNER

WHAT'S GOING ON IN AND AROUND BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS

### ALL AMERICAN - Art Perry, who guided Delaware State to a 7-20 record in his first year leading the



Del State Sports Photo  
**PERRY:** Leaves Del State for his alma mater.

Hornets program, has been named the new coach at American University in Washington, D. C. Perry, 51, is an American U. graduate who spent six years as a University of Maryland assistant before accepting the Del State job last August. In assistant stints at Rutgers, Connecticut, Old Dominion and Maryland, Perry earned a reputation as a top recruiter, including landing NBA top pick, Joe Smith for Maryland.

### NO JAC: Ajac Triplett has called it quits as head men's basketball coach at Morris Brown College. Triplett's

resignation ends a nine-year stint at the helm of the Wolverine basketball program. During his tenure Triplett had a record of 78-157 (.332). Overall, his 19-year career record is 237-271. At MBC, Triplett led the Wolverines to two SIAC East Championships (1990-91 and 1994-95). In '90-91, the Wolverines, who finished 16-12, won the SIAC Visitation Championship. Triplett was named conference Coach of the Year that season. During the same season, he was named Atlanta Tip-Off Club Division II Coach of the Year and won the Award of Merit from the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC). This past season was his worst at Morris Brown finishing with a 2-22 record. Triplett coached at Delaware State and Florida A&M before arriving at MBC. He compiled a 44-62 record in four seasons at Del State and was an impressive 115-49 in six seasons at FAMU. He was named SIAC Coach of the Year in 1977 and 1978 when his FAMU teams (then in the SIAC) finished 18-12 and 23-6.

### THE LADY IS OUT: South Carolina State

has announced that the contract of women's basketball coach, Germaine McAuley, will not be renewed. McAuley's Lady Bulldogs finished last in Mid Eastern Athletic Conference play this year with a 3-15 record, 5-21 overall. A year ago the Lady Bulldogs finished sixth in the MEAC with a 6-10 record while posting a 7-19 overall mark. Her first team in 1993, filled with players she did not recruit, won the MEAC regular season crown with a 15-1 mark. Her career record at SCSU is 47-62. Before taking over at SC State, McAuley coached at Winthrop for four years posting a 21-91 mark.



MEAC Photo  
**McAULEY:** Out after three years at SCSU.

### McNEILL MAKES A MOVE: Johnson

C. Smith University head football coach and associate athletic director Daryl McNeill was named at a news conference March 31 as the new interim head football coach at Savannah State University. McNeill was one of three new coaches who were announced by new interim athletic director Hornsby Howell. McNeill, a graduate of South Carolina State University, had returned the JCSU Golden Bulls to respectability this year posting a 7-3 record, 5-3 in the CIAA, good for a fifth-place finish. McNeill had served as offensive coordinator at SSU from 1988-93 before taking over the reins at JCSU. Howell also announced that Jacques Curtis, who has served as an assistant men's basketball coach at Shaw University, has been appointed interim men's head basketball coach. Curtis is a Savannah State graduate. Jimmie Wheatley, also a Savannah State grad, was appointed as the head men's and women's golf coach. Wheatley played on the school's first golf team in 1968 and has been part of the SSU coaching ranks for nine years coaching men's golf, women's basketball and men's basketball.

## BLACK COLLEGE BASEBALL

### CIAA CENTRAL INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Norfolk State	1-0	1.000	13-11-1	.540
Bowie State	6-2	.750	6-5	.540
St. Augustine's	3-1	.750	6-8	.420
Shaw	2-2	.500	2-2	.500
Virginia State	1-2	.334	4-4	.500
St. Paul's	0-4	.000	1-7	.120
Elizabeth City	0-2	.000	0-2	.000

### SIAC SOUTHERN INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

Alabama A&M	12-3	.800	18-10	.642
Kentucky State	3-1	.750	4-9	.307
Savannah St.	9-4	.692	23-12	.657
LeMoyne Owen	5-3	.625	8-15	.347
Tuskegee	2-4	.333	3-10	.230
Miles	2-4	.333	8-9	.471
Clark Atlanta	0-11	.000	0-16	.000

### SWAC SOUTHWESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

East Division				
Jackson State	12-3	.800	15-10	.600
Alcorn State	10-6	.625	18-13	.581
Alabama State	8-8	.500	13-21	.382
Miss. Valley	1-14	.067	2-19	.096
West Division				
Southern	13-3	.813	17-9	.654
Grambling State	11-5	.688	21-5	.808
Texas Southern	5-9	.358	12-16	.429
Prairie View	1-13	.072	3-25	.120

### PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

**BATTER - TIMOTHY STEPHNEY - 5-11, Jr., Alcorn State - Batted .667 going 16-24 with four HRs in six games.**  
**PITCHER - RICKIE MILLER - 6-1, Jr., Grambling State - Two wins and a save in three appearances.**

## Black college players shut out at the P-I-T

### LUT WILLIAMS

BCSP Editor

The players chosen as the best in black college basketball this year are underclassmen, so it's not particularly shocking that no black college players

were selected to play in the 45th Annual Portsmouth (Va.) Invitational Tournament, running April 2-5 at Portsmouth's Churchland High School.

Still, it is surprising that the tournament, which has served as a sort-of coming out party for seldom seen black college talent, couldn't find any entrants this year. Winston-Salem State's Earl "The Pearl" Monroe and Norfolk State's Bobby "Stick" Dandridge were two so-called small college players who wowed the scouts at the P-I-T and jump-started their stellar NBA careers.

The tournament format takes 64 seniors and divides them into eight eight-man teams to play before a host of NBA, CBA and international team scouts in the four-day affair. It has been the place for college seniors, including those from black colleges, not projected as lottery

or first round picks to showcase their skills. Longtime tournament coordinator and selection committee member, 74-year-old Yale Dolsey, could not be reached to see if this was the first time black college players have not been invited.

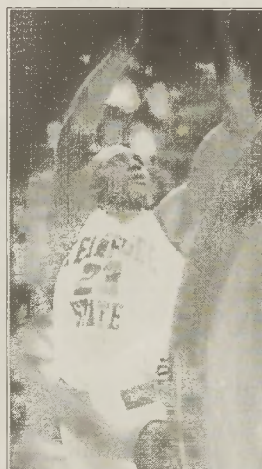
### A game of their own

Black college NBA prospects will have a game of their own to show off their skills to professional scouts when the Second Annual Mobil Oil Black College All Star Basketball Classic is played May 3 at the new basketball arena at Morehouse.

Target Sports Marketing is putting on the event again this year and will have a final team roster by next week, said executive producer LaShun Lawson. Last year's game was nationally televised on the Prime TV Network. Plans to televise this year's game have not been finalized, she said.

This year, each of the four black college conference Most Valuable Players is a non-senior. The four - South Carolina State junior guard Roderick Blakney (MEAC), Texas Southern junior guard Randy Bolden (SWAC), St. Paul's sophomore forward Antwain Smith (CIAA), and Tuskegee junior forward/center Fabian Spencer (SIAC) - were named last week to the first team of the BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS PAGE "BAAD" TEAM of all-stars along with St.

## Missing Out



Tenn. St. Sports Photo



Coppin St. Sports Photo

**M & M:** Tennessee State's Monty Wilson (left) and Coppin State's Terquin Mott, two of the better black college players, will miss the PIT but may get shots to play at NBA Draft Camps in Phoenix or Chicago.

**Augustine's** sophomore forward LaFonte Moses.

Two seniors, Clark Atlanta's William Burr and Coppin State's Reggie Welch, were named to the "BAAD" second team.

Other black college seniors that may have merited an invite are: 1997 All-MEAC and 1996 MEAC MVP Terquin Mott of Coppin State who declared for the draft as a junior but returned for his senior season; former All-Ohio Valley

Conference guard Monty Wilson of Tennessee State, who played only eight games this year because of a stress fracture but averaged 18.6 points; All-CIAA selections Mario Haskett of St. Paul's and Rodney Carmichael of Norfolk State; All-SWAC forward Derrick McGriff of Alabama State and All-SIAC selections James Crutcher of Kentucky State and Bethel Hendricks of Alabama A&M.

## NBA CAMPS FOR TOP COLLEGE PROSPECTS AND NBA DRAFT DATE

**Nke Desert Classic**  
April 14-18  
America West Arena  
Phoenix, AR

**Pre-Draft Camp**  
June 3-6  
Moody Bible College  
Chicago, IL

**NBA Draft**  
June 27  
Charlotte Coliseum  
Charlotte, NC

## BCSP Notes

▼ **Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (CIAA)** Compliance Coordinator Patrick Carter has resigned to take a similar position with the **Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC)**. Carter, 33, a Grambling, La. native and 1985 graduate of Grambling State University, replaces Dell Robinson who left last fall for a similar position with the Western Athletic Conference (WAC). Carter had served in the CIAA office since 1991. Before joining the conference office, Carter worked as compliance coordinator at CIAA member, Virginia State.

▼ **National Rainbow Coalition Commission on Fairness in College Athletics** Chairman, Charles S. Farrell, will moderate a panel on "Exploring and Enhancing Black College Sports" at the national conference of the National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education (NAFEO) in Washington, D. C., April 13. Panel members include **Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC)** Commissioner, Dr. James Frank, **Florida A&M University** President, Dr. Frederick Humphries and **Grambling State University** Head Football Coach, Eddie Robinson.

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