

FLYING TO THE **FINISH**



Regional triple jump.

I CAN FLY: With his hometurf scoreboard in the background, A&T's Via soars to third place finish in the East

▼ 15 HBCU TRACKSTERS QUALIFY FOR D1 NATIONALS: 74 EARN D2 ALL-AMERICAN

BCSP Notes

Bethune-Cookman, Prairie View head to NCAA Div. I baseball regionals MEAC champion Bethune-Cookman will be traveling to Oxford. Mississippi while SWAC champion Prairie View travels crosstown in

Mississippi while SWAC champion Frairie view dravels crossrown in Houston to take on top-ranked Rice as play begins this weekend in the NCAA Div. I Baseball Championships.

B-CC (30-25) will be competing in the Oxford (Miss.) Regional and will take on SEC champ Ole Miss (40-20) at 7 p.m. (CST) on Friday. The other teams in the regional are South Alabama (38-19) and Tulane

(41-19).
Conference USA champ Rice (50-10) will host Prairie View (33-20) at 4 p.m. (CST) on Friday. The two will be joined in the regional by Baylor (35-24) and Arizona State (36-19).
The first two rounds of the NCAA Baseball Championships are tak-

ing place at 16 different on-campus regional sites this weekend

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Lincoln (Mo.) University picked up its fourth straight NCAA
Division II Women's Outdoor Track National Championship Saturday
night in Emporia, Kansas. Fresh off of a 2006 Indoor Title, the Lady
light in Emporia, Kansas. Fresh off of a 2006 Indoor Title, the Lady
light Tigers became only the second team to ever win four consecutive
outdoor team titles topping Abilene Christian, 93-86.

CIAA champ St. Augustine's was a pole vault away from picking
up the men's tutle. After winning the 4x400 meter relay, the final running event, the Falcons had to wait for results from the pole vault to
determine this year's champion. St. Aug led 77.5 – 76 after the relay but
Abilene Christian's Cory Aguilar scored four points in the final event to
propel the Wildcats past the Falcons, 80-77.5, for its fifth straight outdoor title. Lincoln finished third with 63 points.

The Lincoln women completed the indoor-outdoor track championship sweep on the strength of its sprinters. They swept the 100m dash
with Janika Martell winning followed by Karen Robinson and JodyAnn Powell finishing second and third. Martell also won the 200m dash
with Robinson and Davita Prendergast picking up points. Prendergast
won the 400m dash setting a new meet record held by former LUMO

andout Lorraine Graham. Carla Thomas finished second in the 100m ridles and 400m hurdles and Kelly Marshall picked up third-place bints in the 800m run. The Lady Blue Tigers won both relay events with owell, Thomas, Robinson and Martell taking the 4x100 meters while binson. Thomas, Prendergast and Nikita McCree grabbed the 4x400

In addition to the 4x400 relay team of Lurias Eugene, Travon Lee,
Tim Riley and Jamaal Torrance. St. Aug's Philippe DeRosier won the
200m dash and Alvin Miles won the 400m hurdles.
There were four meet records broken over the three days of competition, all by HBCU performers, beginning with Wilbert Walker's 26'
8.25" mark in the long jump on Thursday. The sophomore from Lincoln
came back with a wind aided triple jump mark of 55' 4.25" that is the fartheet triple; jump in NC4. Championschip history regardless of conference of the formal conference of the strengthess of conference of the formal conference of the thest triple jump in NCAA Championship history regardless of condi

Morehouse's Keith Moffatt broke the meet record of former Maroon Tiger Gregory Roberts and tied the all-time NCAA Div II best of 2.29m (7° 6") to win the high jump. The women record breakers were Lincoln's Prendergast running a 51.29 to set the standard in the 400 meters and Lynnsey Dailey of Fort Valley State who set a meet record in the 400 rdles with a time of 57.18 for one of her two individual championships the meet. Dailey also won the 100 meter hurdles and was one of five uble event winners for the women.

Other HBCU national champions include Jessica Mills of North Carolina Central in the women's triple jump and Decosma Wright of Lincoln in the men's 110 meter hurdles.

WOMEN		MEN	
1) Lincoln	93	2) St Augustine's	77.
T5) St Augustine's	32	3) Lincoln	63
T9) Fort Valley State	23	6) N. C. Central	30
N. C. Central	23	10) Morehouse	26
13) Bowie State	18	23) Albany State	12
T33) Albany State	6	T39) Bowie State	5
38) Virginia State	5	Stillman	5
		T43) Benedict	4
		Fort Valley State	4

UNDER THE BANNER

HEADED TO NATIONALS: Eleven (11)



nference athletes and four athletes from the Southwestern Athletic Conference have qualified for the NCAA Division I Outdoor Track and Field Championships based on per-formances at regional sites last week-end. Southern long jumper Monica Robinson. Hampton triple jumper Yvette Lewis and Jackson State 400 meter hurdler Michael Tinsley will compete in the nationals as regional champions. Robinson, who won the SWAC long jump title, was crowned Mideast Regional champion in Knoxville with a leap of 6 40 Meters (21'0"). After winning the 2006 NCAA

Indoor Championship in the women's triple jump, Lewis took or Indoor Championship in the women's triple jump, Lewis took one step closer to adding an outdoor crown to her resume when she won the NCAA East Regional on the campus of N. C. A&T in Greensboro with a meet record jump of 13.73m (45.5°). Tinsley broke his previous Mideast Regional record in the 400 hurdles, setting a new mark of 48.63 and capturing the championship title. Joining the regional champions from the East Regional will be Kellie Wells, Terry Thornton and the 4x400m relay team of Kellie Wells, Terry Thornton and the 4x400m relay team of Lester Caesar. Terrance Burton, Andrew Peresta and Thornton, of Hampton, A&T's Courtney Clark and Brandon Via. Lauren McNary and Jacoby DuBose of Howard and Florida A&M spinter Chris Hargett Additional HBCU qualifiers from the Mideast Regional were Alabama State's Arthur Hinton and Jackson State's Joel Williams Wells finished fifth in the 100m hurdles with a time of 13.17. This will be her second trip to the championships after qualifying in 2004. After struggling to an eighth place finish in the 110m hurdles, Thornton placed fourth in the 400 hurdles to earn his second trip to the finish in the eyears. In the final event of the day, the Hampton relay team ran what is believed to be a school record 3:05.49 to the finish third in the 4x400 relay. It will be the first trip to the NCAA-Championships for Thornton's teammates. Clark took advantage of familiar surroundings by finishing fifth in the 400 meter hurdles with a time of 58.98. Three weeks ago she broke the A&T school record in the 400 hurdles at the MEAC Outdoor Championships on the same track. She and teammate Via, who Championships on the same track. She and teammate Via, who finished third in the triple jump with a leap of 16.04m will be making their first trip to the nationals. McNary-earned her spot by finishing fourth in the 400 meter dash while DuBose placed fifth in the 110 hurdles. FAMU's Hargett was a double qualifier, fin-ishing third in the 100m dash (10.23) and fifth in the 200m dash (20.78). ISU's Williams made the list by finishing fifth in the 800 meter dasa posting a time of 1.49.26. Bama State's Hinton quali-

filed when he tied for third place in the high jump (5 5m).

The NCAA Division I Outdoor Track and Field Finals will be held June 7-10 at Hornet Stadium on the campus of Sacramento State in Sacramento, CA.

End-of-year honors handed out

Southern men, Jackson State women Southern program honored in SWAC

The Southern University Department of Athletics has captured its fifth consecutive SWAC Commissioner's Cup (named the Dr. James Frank Award) for overall excellence among its sponsored sports. Southern's men captured the C.D. Henry Award for the top program among men's sports and Jackson State's women grabbed the Barbara Jacket/Sadie Magee Award signifying the top SWAC women's sports program.

The Jackson State women edged Southern (84 to 83.5 pts.) for the women's trophy. The Lady Tigers captured the golf title, tied with Southern for the basketball title, and finished in the top five of ten SWAC women's championships. For Southern, after tying for the basketball title the Jaguars finished second in three of ten sports. Texas Southern and Grambling State tied for third place (69.5), just ahead of Southern and Grambling State tied for third place (69.5), just ahead of Alabama State (68) and Prairie View A&M. Mississippi Valley State and Alabama A&M ned for eighth (60.5) followed Alcorn State and AkB. Ping Pluff.

Ark.-Pine Bluff.

Southern's men placed in the top five in seven of eight sports for 70-point total. Grambling State finished second (65 pts.) after capturing two championships (football & outdoor track), finishing second in basketball and among the top three in two other sports (indoor track, cross-country and tennis). Prairie View A&M (62.5) edged out Jackson State for third place (60.5), followed by Alabama A&M (54.5), Alabama State (48.5), Alcorn State (48). Texas Southern (47.5), Mississippi Valley State (40.5) and Ark.-Pine Bluff (24).

women earn top status in CIAA
The Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association presented North
Carolina Central University with the Loretta Taylor Women's AllSports Trophy and Saint Augustine's College with the C.H. Williams
Men's All-Sports Trophy at last week's Annual Coach of the Year Awards

Luncheon.

NCCU was awarded the women's honor after winning three championships in softball, cross country and volleyball, while coming in third in women's indoor and outdoor track and field.

St. Augustine's also dominated in championship titles this year with top finishes in men's cross country and outdoor and indoor track and field. Its three championships, along with exceptional finishes in football and baseball gave it a winning margin.

Trophy winners are determined by a point system established to award an institution for achievement in each of their women's and men's programs. The champion is the institution with the most combined total points for all sponsored sports based on their conference finish and the number of CIAA sponsored events.

Kyle Serba, Sports Information Director at NCCU was awarded the John Holley Sports Information Director Award. Serba served as host SID for a second-round game in the 2005 NCAA Division II football playoffs, is the coordinator and occasional announcer for football and

basketball game internet broadcasts on the Eagle Sports Network and serves as President of the NCCSIA (North Carolina Association).

William "Bill" Hayes of NCCU and Tonia Walker of Winston-Salem State University respectively won awards as the top at the time director and senior women's administrator. This year's Jeanette A. Lee Arthetic action Award was presented to Al Carter of Shaw University ding extraordinary leadership for the Bears' athletic department.

NCCU SID Kyle Serba, AD Bill Hayes and Volleyball coach and Assistant AD Ingrid Wicker-McCree

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The Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference awarded Hampton
University its fifth consecutive Mary McLead Bethune Women's AllSports Award and Norfolk State University its second consecutive and
third overall Talmadge Layman Hill Men's Award last week. Hampton
totaled 60.5 points of the possible 96 points, while NSU tallied 67.5 of a
possible 84 points. Each institution was presented with a \$25,000 check
at the MEAC Spring Delegate Assembly and Committee Meetings in
Virginia Beach, Va., on May 25.

Hampton has won seven overall all-sports trophies since joining the
MEAC in 1996, winning three men's trophies, including back-to-back
victories in 2003 and 2004, and four women's navards. Norfolk State won
its first men's trophy in 2001.

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In the women's race, Hampton edged out second place finisher Florida A&M by 3.5 points. The Lady Pirates won both the indoor and outdoor track and field titles, was tied for second in softball, and finished third in cross country and tennis.

The Lady Rattlers, who also finished second to the Lady Pirates last year, had 56 total points. They also had two championship titles, winning volleyball and softball. Howard was a close third with 55.5 points. The Lady Bison captured the cross country title to open the 2005-06 season.

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On the men's side, Norfolk State completed the triple crown in track and field, winning cross country, indoor and outdoor titles. The Spartans also finished second in tennis and baseball to outscore their closest competitor, Florida A&M, by 12 points. Hampton finished third (52), followed by Bethune-Cookman (45.5) and Delaware State (43.5).

Points are awarded on a descending basis beginning with 12 points for a championship or first-place finish. The second place team receives ten points, Tied teams split the point total.

THE STAT CORNER

NCAA DIV. II TRACK ALL-AMERICANS

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Texas Southern (Women)
CROSS COUNTRY
Men - Prairie View
Women - Alabama State
FOOTBALL
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