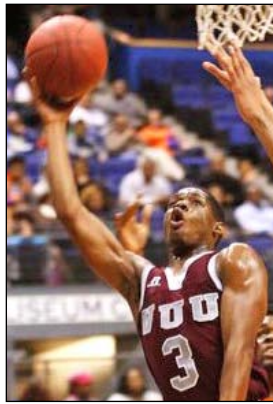


BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS



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DOWN THE STRETCH THEY COME

RAY ANDERSON: Senior guard from Virginia Union has led Panthers to the best record in CIAA play.

CIAA HOOPS IN FINAL WEEK, SIAC IN FINAL TWO WEEKS; MEAC, SWAC RACES TIGHTEN

MEN'S 2016-17 BLACK COLLEGE BASKETBALL (Standings and Weekly Honors)

CIAA

NORTH DIVISION	CENTRAL INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION		
	DIV	CONF	ALL
Virginia Union	7	1	13
Virginia State	7	1	12
Chowan	4	4	8
Bowie State	3	5	7
Lincoln	2	6	5
Eliz. City State	1	7	2
SOUTH DIVISION			
Shaw	6	2	8
Livingstone	5	3	6
Winston-Salem State	4	4	6
Fayetteville State	4	4	6
J. C. Smith	3	5	6
St. Augustine's	2	6	5

BCSP CIAA PLAYERS OF THE WEEK
PLAYER
Ray Anderson, 6-3, Sr., G, VUU - Had 22 points in win over Lincoln and 23 in win over Bowie State. Shot combined 15 for 27 from the field.
NEWCOMER
NA
COACH
Jay Butler, VIRGINIA UNION - Got wins over Bowie State and Lincoln to improve to league-best 13-1 record.

MEAC

NORTH DIVISION	MID EASTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE		
	CONF	ALL	
North Carolina Central	10	1	19
Norfolk State	9	2	12
Hampton	8	3	11
Morgan State	7	4	10
Savannah State	7	4	10
Maryland-Eastern Shore	6	5	9
Coppin State	6	6	7
Delaware State	6	7	9
SC State	5	7	8
Florida A&M	5	7	7
Howard	3	8	6
Bethune-Cookman	2	9	5
NC A&T State	0	11	1

MEAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK
PLAYER
Patrick Cole, 6-4, Sr., G, NCCENTRAL - In 2-0 week, averaged 27 points, 7 rebounds, 7 assists in wins vs. CSU and SCSU. Had 27 points in both games.
ROOKIE
Jermaine Marrow, 6-5, Fr., G, HAMPTON - In 2-0 week, averaged 22 points and 7 assists.
DEFENDER
Jordan Butler, 6-4, R-Sr., F, NORFOLK ST. - In 2-0 week, averaged 9.0 rebounds and 3 blocks.
Demola Onifade, 6-9, C, DELSTATE - Averaged 3.0 blocks and 7.5 rebounds in two games.

SIAC

EAST DIVISION	SOUTHERN INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC CONFERENCE		
	CONF	ALL	
Benedict	11	3	14
Claffin	10	4	15
Fort Valley State	10	5	13
Clark Atlanta	8	4	14
Morehouse	7	7	13
Albany State	4	10	15
Paine	0	13	2
WEST DIVISION			
Lane	12	2	15
Miles	7	5	7
Kentucky State	7	7	9
LeMoyne-Owen	5	8	6
Spring Hill	5	8	6
Tuskegee	5	10	8
Central State	5	10	8

SIAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK
PLAYER
Terrance Bridgeman, 6-3, Jr., G, LANE - Averaged 25.5 points including 39 points in win vs. Central State, 12 points, 7 boards in win over LOC. Shot 15 of 23 from the field with seven 3s.
NEWCOMER
Brandon Morris, 6-8, Jr., F, BENEDICT - In 2-0 week, 19.0 points and 7.0 rebounds. Had 24 points, 10 boards in win over Paine, 14 points, 4 boards in win over Morehouse.

SWAC

Texas Southern	SOUTHWESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE		
	DIV	ALL	
Alcorn State	10	2	14
Southern	8	5	12
Jackson State	7	6	11
Alabama State	6	6	8
Grambling State	6	7	11
Arkansas-Pine Bluff	6	7	19
Prairie View A&M	5	7	8
Miss. Valley State	4	9	4
Alabama A&M	1	11	1

BCSP SWAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK
PLAYER
Yetta Specks, 5-10, Sr., G, JACKSON STATE - Averaged 28.0 points on two big wins. Scored game-high 32 points in win over Prairie View shooting 7 of 14 from the field, 6 of 10 3s and 12 of 14 from the line. Also had game-high 24 points in win over first-place Texas Southern hitting 4 of 10 from the field and 13 of 14 FTs.
Regional Johnson, Sr., GF, ALCORN STATE - Averaged 19.5 points in two wins, 12 points in win over UAPB and 27 in win over MVSU. Shot 11 of 16 vs. MVSU.
NEWCOMER
NA

INDEPENDENTS

	W	L
Lincoln (Mo.)	14	10
Tennessee State	15	11
UDC	12	10
W. Va. State	6	18
Cheyney	2	22

INDEPENDENT PLAYERS OF THE WEEK
PLAYER
Joseph Nickerson, 6-4, Sr., G, UDC - Talled game-high 37 points on 12 of 18 shooting, 5 of 7 from behind the arc, 8 of 9 FTs in win over NYIT. Also had 8 rebounds and 3 assists.
NEWCOMER
NA

HOOPS SCHEDULE

SAT., FEB. 18
CIAA
 W-Salem State @ Livingstone
 J. C. Smith @ Shaw
 Fayetteville State @ St. Augustine's
 Bowie State @ Eliz. City State
 Virginia Union @ Chowan
 Virginia State @ Lincoln
MEAC
 NC Central @ Md.-E. Shore
 Savannah State @ Morgan State
 Hampton @ Bethune-Cookman
 Coppin State @ SC State
 NC A&T @ Howard
 Norfolk State @ Florida A&M
SIAC
 Paine @ Miles
 LeMoyne-Owen @ Kentucky State
 Claffin @ Morehouse
 Spring Hill @ Central State
 Fort Valley State @ Albany State
SWAC
 Miss. Valley State @ Prairie View
 Alabama A&M @ Southern
 Alabama State @ Alcorn State

Ark.-Pine Bluff @ Texas Southern
 Grambling State @ Jackson State
INDEPENDENTS
 E. Kentucky @ Tennessee State
 Shippensburg @ Cheyney
 Shepherd @ West Virginia State
 Lincoln @ Central Missouri
MON., FEB. 20
MEAC
 NC Central @ Howard
 Morgan State @ Delaware State
 NC A&T @ Md.-E. Shore
 Norfolk State @ Bethune-Cookman
 Coppin State @ Savannah State
 Hampton @ Florida A&M
SIAC
 Miles @ Tuskegee
 Claffin @ Clark Atlanta
 Spring Hill @ Kentucky State
 Paine @ Benedict
 LeMoyne-Owen @ Central State
SWAC
 Alabama A&M @ Alcorn State
 Ark.-Pine Bluff @ Prairie View
 Alabama State @ Southern
 Miss. Valley State @ Texas Southern

BCSP Hoops Notes

CIAA basketball update

Last week of regular season play

CIAA regular season hoops play ends this Saturday with tournament play to begin next Tuesday in Charlotte, N. C.

Virginia Union (21-5, 13-1) and Virginia State (20-4, 12-2) are tied atop the men's North Division with 7-1 records and are safely in as the top two seeds from the division for the tournament. Games Wednesday (Feb. 15) and Saturday (Feb. 18) are left on the regular season schedule. VSU (vs. Bowie State) and VUU (vs. Eliz. City State) are at home Wed. and on the road to finish the regular season Saturday. VUU closes out at Chowan and VSU is at Lincoln.

Just as in last year's tournament, the top four men's teams in each division will receive byes from Tuesday's and Wednesday's opening round games into Thursday's quarterfinals.

Shaw (12-12, 8-6) leads the men's South with a 6-2 record, a game better than Livingstone (9-15, 6-8) at 5-3 in divisional play. Winston-Salem State (11-13, 6-8) and Fayetteville State (10-13, 6-8) are another game back at 4-4 in divisional play.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR FRONTRUNNER(S):

Ray Anderson, Sr., G, Virginia Union - 18.2 ppg., (1st), 76.9% FT (9th)
 Quincy January, Jr., F, St. Augustine's - 16.6 ppg., (5th), 10.0 rpg. (1st), 58.7% FG (1st)

On the women's side, the top two seeds from each division get first round byes into next Wednesday's quarterfinals.

Virginia Union leads the North at 6-2 with Bowie State and Chowan tied for second at 5-3. Va. Union closes at Chowan Saturday after a date at home Wednesday vs. ECSU. Chowan was at Lincoln on Wednesday. BSU played Wednesday at VSU and has its finale Saturday at ECSU.

JCSU leads the South at 7-1 with WSSU a game behind at 6-2 and Shaw is third at 5-3. JCSU plays at WSSU Wednesday and at Shaw Saturday.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR FRONTRUNNER(S):

Lady Walker, Sr., C, Virginia Union - 14.7 ppg., (4th), 12.1 rpg., (1st), 2.0 bpg. (1st)
 Jordan Payne, Sr., F, Chowan - 14.8 ppg., (5th), 11.2 rpg. (2nd), .587 FG (1st)
 Zana Lovette, So., G, Livingstone - 17.9 ppg., (2nd), 9.5 rpg., (4th)

SIAC basketball update

SIAC regular season ends on Feb. 23

The race in the men's East Division is headed down to the Feb. 23 wire. Benedict (11-3), Claffin (10-4), Fort Valley State (10-5) and Clark Atlanta (8-4) are within two games of each other with a couple more weeks and about four games of regular season play left.

Lane (10-2 SIAC W) has won seven straight and leads the West Division by three-and-a-half games.

Benedict got by Morehouse Saturday (80-77) to retain the top spot while Fort Valley State fell to Miles (58-52). On Monday, Morehouse stomped Clark Atlanta (86-58) to knock the Tigers out of a share of first place.

On Saturday, Claffin plays at Morehouse and Benedict is at Clark Atlanta. Claffin plays at Clark Atlanta Monday.

PLAYERS OF THE YEAR FRONTRUNNER(S):

Brandon Morris, Sr., G, Benedict - 18.3 ppg. (4th), 7.4 rpg. (8th)
 Justin Street, Sr., F, LeMoyne-Owen - 20.3 ppg. (2nd), 7.9 rpg. (4th),
 Malcolm Smith, Sr., G, Kentucky State - 21.3 ppg. (1st), 3.5 3pg (1st)

Benedict (11-1) in the East and Central State in the West are the women's division leaders.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR FRONTRUNNER(S):

Destiny Betts, Sr., F, Benedict - 14.8 ppg. (8th), 13.9 rpg. (1st),
 Janisha Wilkerson, Sr., F, Paine - 18.8 ppg. (1st), 11.5 rpg. (2nd), .514 FG% (4th), 4.0 bpg. (1st)

MEAC basketball update

NC Central (M), Bethune-Cookman women (W) remain on top.

North Carolina Central (19-6, 10-1 MEAC) stayed atop the men's race with wins over Florida A&M (78-73) and South Carolina State (85-62). Norfolk State (12-13, 9-2) moved into second with a win over Maryland-Eastern Shore (75-69). Losses to Howard (70-67) and Dela-



January



Walker



Smith



Wilkerson



Butler



Pollard



Johnson



Hill

ware State (56-45) knocked Morgan State (10-14, 7-4) into a fourth-place tie with Savannah State (10-14, 7-4). Hampton (11-13, 8-3) is in third after a 75-61 win over Howard Saturday.

NCCU hits the road for battles at UMES Saturday and Howard Monday. Norfolk State and Hampton make their Florida swings to FAMU and B-CU.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR FRONTRUNNER(S):

Patrick Cole, Sr., G, N. C. Central - 20.2 ppg., (1st), 6.7 rpg., (4th), 5.8 app. (1st)
 Jordan Butler, Sr., F, Norfolk State - 19.9 ppg., (2nd), 7.0 rpg. (3rd), .493% FG (5th)

Bethune-Cookman (14-9, 10-1 MEAC) has a two-game lead in the women's race over Hampton and Norfolk State (8-3) and the Lady Wildcats will entertain their closest pursuers this weekend - Hampton on Saturday and NSU on Monday.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR FRONTRUNNER(S):

Najai Pollard, So., F, Delaware State - 18.1 ppg., (1st), 9.8 rpg. (1st), .520% FG (1st)
 Kallyn Williams, Sr., C, Bethune-Cookman - 4.0 bpg. (1st), 10.7 ppg., (18th), 7.4 rpg., (6th), .487 FG% (2nd)

SWAC basketball update

Texas Southern men fall to Jackson State. Three-way tie at top of women's race

Jackson State (7-6) knocked off men's front-runner Texas Southern 71-62 Monday. The lead for TSU (10-2) is down to half-game over second-place Alcorn State (10-3) after the Braves got wins over UAPB (70-58) and MVSU (88-77). Southern (8-5) was knocked off by UAPB (68-61) Saturday before downing MVSU (81-72) Monday and is in third. JSU also got a win over Prairie View (78-69) Saturday and is fourth.

TSU has home dates vs. UAPB Saturday and MVSU Monday. Alcorn hosts Alabama State Saturday and Alabama A&M Monday. Southern hosts the same two on opposite dates. JSU hosts Grambling Saturday.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR FRONTRUNNER(S):

Reginal Johnson, Jr., F, Alcorn State - 15.6 ppg., (4th), 6.9 rpg. (7th), .531% FG (4th)
 Zach Lofton, Jr., G, Texas Southern - 18.0 ppg. (1st)
 Shawn Prudhomme, Sr., F, Southern - 17.7 ppg. (2nd), 5.7 rpg. (9th), 3s Made 2.5 pg. (1st), 1.1 bpg. (2nd)

On the women's side, Grambling (10-3), Texas Southern (9-3) and Alabama State (9-3) are virtually tied at the top. This comes after TSU was knocked off by Grambling (64-52) Saturday before beating Jackson State (66-63) Monday. Grambling also got a win over Prairie View (60-55) Monday. Alabama State knocked off rival Alabama A&M (62-35).

The big women's game this weekend has Alabama State at Southern Monday.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR FRONTRUNNER(S):

Britney Wright, Sr., F, Alabama State - 17.4 ppg. (1st), 7.2 rpg. (4th), .819 FT% (1st),
 Shakyla Hill, So., G, Grambling State - 15.2 ppg., (5th), 7.5 rpg. (3rd), .479 FG (3rd), 4.2 app. (1st), 3.0 spg. (1st)
 Ashley Beals, Sr., F, MVSU - 15.3 ppg. (3rd), 9.8 rpg. (1st), .441 FG% (7th)

WOMEN'S 2016-17 BLACK COLLEGE BASKETBALL (Standings and Weekly Honors)

CIAA

NORTH DIVISION	CENTRAL INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION		
	DIV	CONF	ALL
Virginia Union	6	2	12
Bowie State	5	3	10
Chowan	5	3	8
Virginia State	4	3	8
Lincoln	2	6	4
Eliz. City State	1	6	3
SOUTH DIVISION			
J. C. Smith	7	1	11
Winston-Salem State	6	2	9
Shaw	5	3	7
Livingstone	4	4	7
Fayetteville State	2	6	4
St. Augustine's	0	8	1

CIAA PLAYERS OF THE WEEK
PLAYER
Teira Pendleton, 5-8, Jr., GF, LINCOLN - Led Lady Lions with 22 points, 7 rebounds and 5 steals in upset of Va. Union. Had 15 points, 5 rebounds and 3 assists in loss to ECSU.
NEWCOMER
NA
COACH
Stephen Joyner, Jr., JCSU - Got wins over St. Augustine's and Livingstone to improve to division-best 7-1 record in the South.

MEAC

Bethune-Cookman	MID EASTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE		
	CONF	ALL	
Bethune-Cookman	10	1	14
Hampton	8	3	14
Norfolk State	8	3	13
Howard	7	4	11
Savannah State	7	5	10
Florida A&M	6	6	8
NC A&T State	7	4	11
Coppin State	6	6	6
Md. Eastern Shore	3	8	9
North Carolina Central	5	6	6
SC State	2	10	5
Delaware State	2	11	3
Morgan State	3	8	5

MEAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK
PLAYERS
Kendra Cooper, 5-6, Sr., G, B-CU - In 2-0 week, averaged 18.0 points, 6.0 rebounds while shooting 12 of 23 from the field.
ROOKIE
Sara Edmond, 5-9, Fr., G, HOWARD - Averaged 10.5 points and 3 assists in two games. Had 15 points in win over Hampton.
DEFENDER
Kallyn Williams, 6-4, Sr., C, B-CU - Averaged 6.0 blocks and 8.0 rebounds in two games including 9 blocks vs. Howard.
Tiyonda Davis, 6-4, Sr., C, SSU - Had 7 rebounds and second straight 8 blocks vs. Norfolk State.

SIAC

EAST DIVISION	SOUTHERN INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC CONFERENCE		
	CONF	ALL	
Benedict	11	1	15
Claffin	9	3	14
Fort Valley State	6	8	7
Paine	4	8	10
Albany State	4	9	5
Clark Atlanta	3	8	13
WEST DIVISION			
Central State	10	4	15
Spring Hill	7	5	13
Lane	8	6	9
Miles	6	6	11
Kentucky State	6	7	9
Tuskegee	5	9	10
LeMoyne-Owen	4	9	4

SIAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK
PLAYER
Nashay Sutton, 6-2, Sr., F, KENTUCKY STATE - Had game-high 25 points in big win over Central State. Was a perfect 8 of 8 from the floor.
NEWCOMER
NA

SWAC

Grambling State	SOUTHWESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE		
	DIV	ALL	
Grambling State	10		