

Seminole Basketball

1997-98 Florida State
Seminole Basketball Media Guide

As he assumes the FSU basketball helm for 1997-98, new head coach Steve Robinson will count on veterans Corey Louis (52), LaMarr Greer (20) and Kerry Thompson (12) to provide leadership for the Seminoles.

Florida State Basketball 1997-98

1997-98 Florida State Basketball Schedule

Date	Opponent	TV	Location	Time
NOVEMBER				
1	AROUND THE WORLD ALL-STARS		TALLAHASSEE (Tally)	12:01 am
10	CONVERSE ALL-STARS		TALLAHASSEE	7:00 pm
14	Rice	SUN	Houston, TX	
17	LOYOLA (MD)*		TALLAHASSEE	7:00 pm
19	Preseason NIT*	ESPN	TBD	9:30 pm
26	Preseason NIT*		New York	TBD
28	Preseason NIT*		New York	TBD
DECEMBER				
2	FLORIDA ATLANTIC		TALLAHASSEE	7:00 pm
6	JACKSONVILLE		TALLAHASSEE	7:00 pm
14	"Milk Challenge" vs. Florida	SUN	Orlando Arena	4:00 pm
17	UNG ASHEVILLE	SUN	TALLAHASSEE	7:00 pm
20	NORTH CAROLINA	OBS	TALLAHASSEE	4:00 pm
23	ARIZONA	ESPN 2	TALLAHASSEE	7:00 pm
29	Southwestern Louisiana	SUN/FSS	Lafayette, LA	9:00 pm
31	DePaul		Chicago, IL	4:00 pm
JANUARY				
3	NC State	R/JP	Raleigh, NC	1:30 pm
7	Maryland	ESPN	College Park, MD	7:00 pm
10	DUKE	ESPN	TALLAHASSEE	7:30 pm
13	Glemson	R/JP	Glemson, SC	8:00 pm
18	Georgia Tech	R/JP	Atlanta, GA	4:00 pm
22	WAKE FOREST		TALLAHASSEE	7:00 pm
24	North Carolina	R/JP	Chapel Hill, NC	8:00 pm
28	NC STATE		TALLAHASSEE	7:00 pm
31	South Florida		Tampa, FL	7:30 pm
FEBRUARY				
4	Virginia		Charlottesville, VA	7:30 pm
7	MARYLAND	BSN	TALLAHASSEE	12:00 pm
10	Duke	R/JP	Durham, NC	9:00 pm
15	GLEMSON	R/JP	TALLAHASSEE	4:00 pm
18	GEORGIA TECH		TALLAHASSEE	7:00 pm
21	Wake Forest	BSN	Winston-Salem, NC	12:00 pm
28	VIRGINIA	R/JP	TALLAHASSEE	4:00 pm
MARCH				
6/8	ACC Tournament	ESPN	Greensboro, NC	TBD

All game times are eastern standard time
 *Preseason NIT R/JP-Raycom/Jefferson Pilot FSS-Fox Sports South
 BSN-Sunshine/HTS/SportSouth Network SUN-Sunshine Network

Florida State
Head Basketball Coach Steve Robinson

Head Coach Steve Robinson takes over the Florida State basketball program in 1997-98. He welcomes back four starters - seniors LaMarr Greer, Corey Louis and Kerry Thompson and junior Randell Jackson. Robinson will lead the Seminoles as they tackle one of the nation's toughest schedules. In addition to playing in college basketball's premier league, the Atlantic Coast Conference, FSU will host defending national champion Arizona and play in the Preseason NIT.

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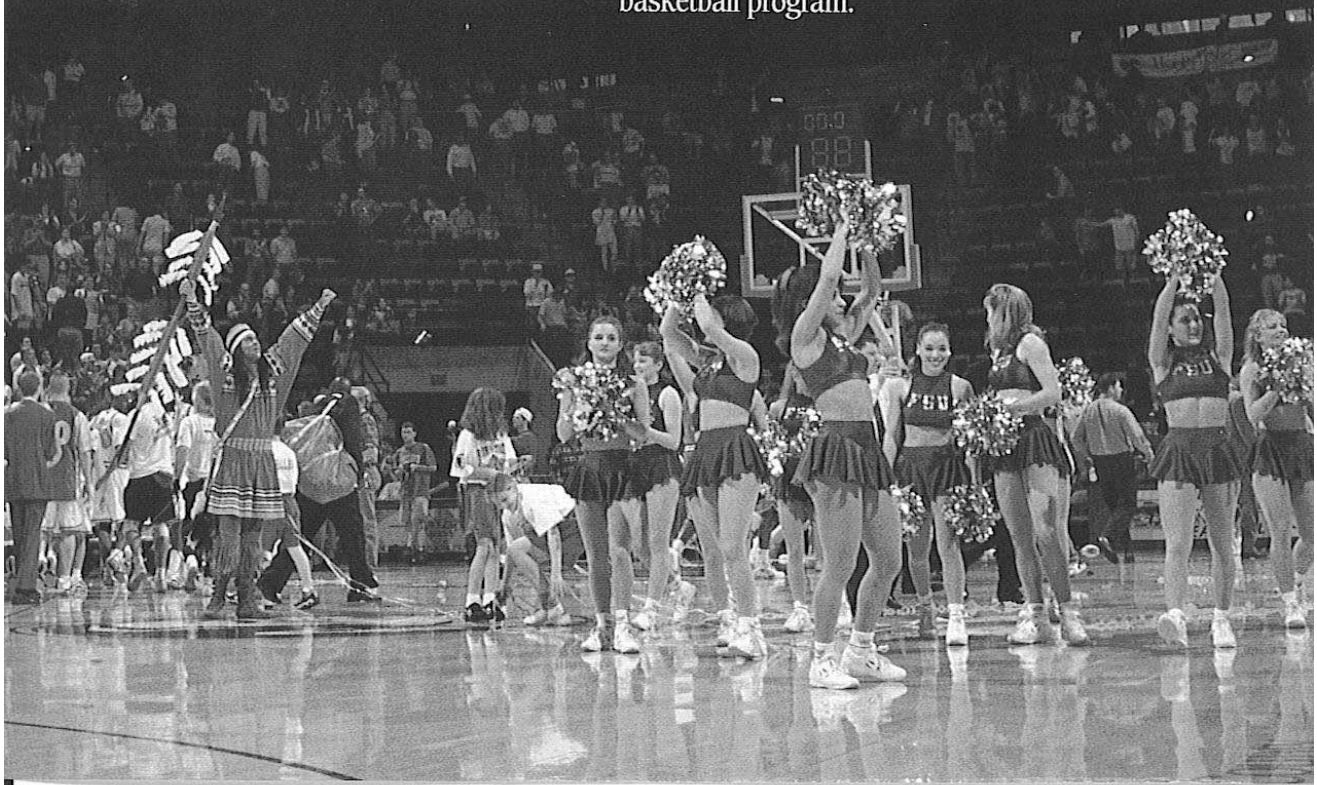


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A new head coach leads the Seminole program into a new era in 1997-98. Steve Robinson took over as the Florida State head coach over the summer after a successful two-year stint at Tulsa, where he posted a 46-18 mark and made two appearances in the NCAA Tournament.

Robinson will have four starters and seven regulars back from last year's 20-win team as he begins to put his stamp on the Florida State basketball program.



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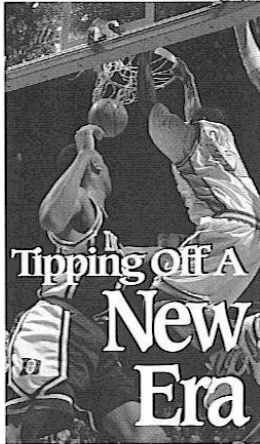
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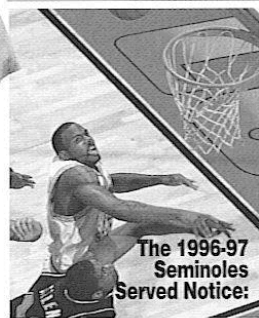
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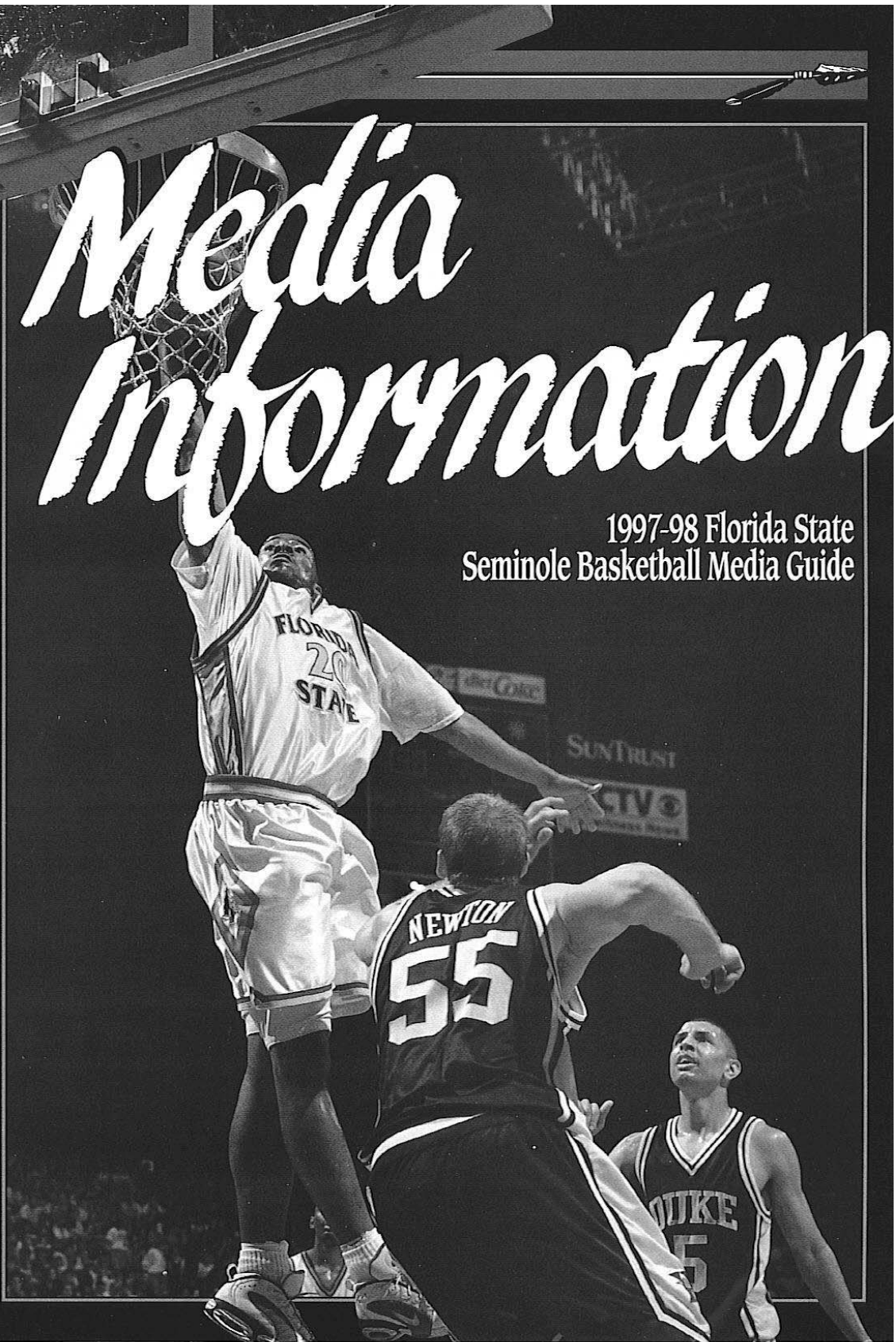
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Media Information

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Florida State will appear on television up to 24 times during the 1997-98 season with six games set for national broadcast.



Press

Florida State University's 1997-98 Basketball Media Guide has been designed for use by the news media and Seminole fans. Any questions not covered in this publication can be directed to the Florida State Sports Information Office.

Credential Requests: All requests for working press, radio, television, photographer or scouting credentials should be made in writing to Chris Walker of the FSU Sports Information Office at least one week prior to the day of the game.

Requests will be evaluated and credentials issued according to the following criteria.

- a. Local metropolitan press; wire services; national publications; metropolitan press from opponents' areas; student newspapers;
- b. Other daily newspapers;
- c. Radio and television personnel not broadcasting the contest live;
- d. Non-daily newspapers (space available);
- e. Scouts.

Parking: A limited number of spaces in the Civic Center's main parking lot have been set aside for use by the media. Cars should enter the parking lot off Pensacola Street and will be directed to the proper area. ALL REQUESTS FOR PARKING CREDENTIALS SHOULD BE MADE ALONG WITH REQUESTS FOR PRESS CREDENTIALS.

Photographers: Accredited photographers will be allowed to shoot the game from courtside upon presentation of a photo pass for the contest. Working press only will be allowed in the designated photo areas of the court.

Television: Facilities are available at courtside for both local and network broadcasts. Please have requests prepared several weeks prior to the broadcast.

NETWORK TELEVISION CREWS WILL BE ISSUED FOUR PARKING PASSES ONLY FOR THEIR ENTIRE CREW. Producers should contact the Civic Center's Roger Englert at (850) 487-1691 directly for special parking needs.

Radio: Sections are reserved for both Florida State and opposing radio on press row. FSU grants broadcast rights to the official radio outlet of the visiting team on a reciprocal basis. Contact Jim McNeil of Host Communications (850) 644-2550 to assure the lines are available.

Phones: Telephone service should be ordered directly through Centel Telephone Company of Tallahassee. Call (850) 681-6600 to order private lines.

A limited number (six) of phone lines are available in the press/interview room following the game. The phones

back card will be filled out and given to the athlete who should return the call collect at the requested time.

Following completion of a game, Florida State's locker room will be open following a 10-minute cooling off period. Steve Robinson will address the media in the press/interview room and two FSU players will be brought to the same room. Media may also conduct interviews in the FSU locker room.

Press Meals: A buffet dinner is available in the Seminole Spirit Room to members of the media with meal ticket attached to credential.

Television crews will be supplied with five meal tickets to accommodate the talent and producers. Any catering needs for television crews should be addressed with Roger Englert of the Civic Center.

ACC Basketball Coaches Teleconference & Sports Services

The nine ACC basketball coaches will be featured on a weekly teleconference each Tuesday from 11:00 a.m., to 12:30 p.m., beginning January 6 and concluding March 10.

Each coach will have 10 minutes to make an opening statement and answer questions. The media telephone number is (212) 547-0297. The order of coaches is as follows:

Teleconference Schedule

Rick Barnes, Clemson	11:00
Mike Krzyzewski, Duke	11:10
Steve Robinson, Florida State	11:20
Bobby Cremins, Georgia Tech	11:30
Gary Williams, Maryland	11:40
Bill Guthridge, North Carolina	11:50
Herb Sendek, N.C. State	12:00
Jeff Jones, Virginia	12:10
Dave Odom, Wake Forest	12:20

A replay of the teleconference will be available for a 24-hour period starting at 2:00 p.m., every Tuesday afternoon. Dial 1-402-220-3128 and ACC# as the password.

are for credit card calls only and are on a first-come, first-served basis.

Faxing: Faxing of statistics is available through the FSU Sports Information Office. There will be a sign-up list in the press/interview room for any media members who need post-game materials faxed.

Services/Statistics: Statistics will be distributed to the media following both the half and completion of the game along with a play-by-play of the game. Coaches' quotes will be available approximately 30 minutes after the completion of the game.

Interview Policies: Florida State players may be reached through the Sports Information Office. A media call-

phone number on your fax phone. You will then be instructed step-by-step on how to retrieve the information. Connect your fax at the tone and the requested information will start transmitting through your machine. This system is operational 24 hours a day and will contain the latest releases from the nine ACC schools and the ACC office release. We will not release this phone number except to certified media sources. Therefore, you must contact the ACC Media Relations department or fax in your request to (910) 851-6062.

ACC Faxback Service

In order to provide timely and accurate information, the Atlantic Coast Conference has a "Faxback System" which allows the league office to provide the latest information, 24 hours a day. The ACC Faxback allows members of the media 24-hour access to the latest press releases (notes & stats) from the ACC office AND the nine sports information offices from each of the league schools.

Members of the media are urged to use this easy system to obtain information on the ACC schools. Simply dial the Faxback machine

Chris Walker
Assistant Sports
Information Director



ACC Men's Basketball Faxback Catalog

CLEMSON

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DUKE

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FLORIDA STATE

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GEORGIA TECH

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MARYLAND

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NORTH CAROLINA

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N.C. STATE

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VIRGINIA

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WAKE FOREST

General Release.....91150
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FSU Quick Facts

Location:Tallahassee, FL
Enrollment:30,200
Symbol:Seminoles
Colors:Garnet (187) and Gold (123)
Conference:Atlantic Coast
Home Court:Tallahassee-Leon County Civic Center
Capacity:12,500
1996-97 Record:20-12
ACC Record:6-10 (7th)
ACC Tournament:0-1
1996-97 Postseason:NIT: 4-1, lost in the championship game to Michigan
Starters Returning/Lost:4/1
Lettermen Returning/Lost:7/2

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

President:Talbot "Sandy" D'Alemberte
Faculty Rep:Charles Ehrhardt
Athletics Director:Dave Hart, Jr.
Associate Athletics Directors:Charlie Carr
.....Charles Hurst
.....Kim Record
.....Bob Minnix
Assistant Athletics Directors:Andy Urbanic
.....Guy Morgan
.....Greg Phillips
Director of Facilities:Bernie Waxman
Director of Student Development:Pam Overton

Director of Marketing and Promotions:Scott Kull
Sports Information Director:Rob Wilson
Ticket Manager:Patrick Martin

BASKETBALL STAFF

Head Basketball Coach:Steve Robinson
Alma Mater (year):Radford ('81)
Overall Record (years):46-18 (2)
Record at FSU (years):First Year
Assistant Coaches:
.....Coleman Crawford (North Alabama '75)
.....Jim Platt (Concordia, IL, College '73)
.....Matt Wingate (Kansas '92)
Trainer:Sam Lunt
Equipment Manager:Gene Granger
Strength Coach:Eric Johnson

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Florida State has become a regular stop when networks fill out their college basketball television schedules.

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(850) 644-5656 (Office)

Seminole Radio Network



Whether Florida State plays at home or on the road, fans across the Southeast follow every play on the Seminole Sports Network. The regional network brings all the excitement of FSU basketball, as well as pre-game and post-game analysis, to fans, alumni and college basketball enthusiasts across the state.

The Seminole Sports Network is owned and operated by Host Communications, Inc., one of the nation's leaders in collegiate sports broadcasting. Florida State joined forces with the Lexington, KY based company to establish a comprehensive marketing opportunity which includes radio, television, print and corporate sponsorship components.

In addition to Florida State, Host owns the rights to the network of other outstanding schools including Texas, Virginia, Kentucky, Notre Dame, Tennessee, South Carolina, Houston and Mississippi State. Host has a long-term broadcast and print relationship with the NCAA.

The Seminole Basketball Network

will reach into nearly 40 markets in 1996-97, including some of the largest in the nation with Tampa, Miami and Orlando slated to receive the games. In Tallahassee, all the Seminole basketball games can be heard on flagship station WTNT-FM (94.9).

Florida State's professional broadcast crew is known as one of the best in the nation as they provide insight and entertainment as well as detailed and expert play-by-play.

The broadcast team features award-winning play-by-play announcer Gene Deckerhoff, a 24-year veteran of the FSU basketball network, who is a seven-time winner of the SportsCaster of the Year award in the Sunshine State.

Deckerhoff is nationally known as one of the finest football and basketball announcers in the South. The "Voice of the Seminoles" for the past 20 years in football in addition to his 24 in hoops, Deckerhoff has been named the best college or pro football play-by-play announcer in the state for 14 of the last 18 years.

A native of Jacksonville, FL Deckerhoff also handles the play-by-play announcing for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers of the NFL, making for some very busy fall weekends.

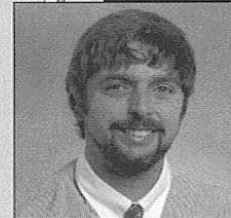
Deckerhoff is also the co-host of both "The Steve Robinson Show" and the "The Bobby Bowden Show," which he also produces. He runs Gene Deckerhoff Productions, a firm specializing in sports broadcasting and the production of radio and television commercials.

Joining Deckerhoff for the third straight year is long-time Florida State basketball associate Jackie Pons. Pons will add color-commentary to all of Florida State's basketball broadcasts this year. Pons has a vast knowledge of Florida State basketball having been an assistant coach at FSU from 1982-86 and working several Seminole basketball camps.

Gene Deckerhoff



Jackie Pons



Host Communications 1997-98 Seminole Radio Network Affiliates

Location	Station	Frequency	Location	Station	Frequency
Belle Glade	WBGF-FM	93.5	Marianna	WTOF-AM	980
Bradenton	WSPB-AM	1450	Miami	WQAM-AM	560
Chattahoochee	WTCL-AM	1580	Milton	WEBY-AM	1330
Chiefland	WLQH-AM	940	Ocala	WOCA-AM	1370
Daytona Beach	WROD-AM	1340	Orlando	WZKD-AM	950
Englewood	WENG-AM	1530	Panama City	WYOO-FM	101.1
Fort Pierce	WAXE-AM	1370	Pensacola	WBSR-AM	1450
Gainesville	WYOC-FM	104.9	Perry	WNFK-FM	92.1
Graceville	WYDA-FM	101.7	Perry	WPRY-AM	1400
Jacksonville	WTLK-FM	106.5	Sarasota	WSPB-AM	1450
Key West	WCTH-FM	100.3	St. Augustine	WFOY-AM	1240
Lake City	WGRO-AM	960	Stuart	WSTU-AM	1450
Lakeland	WLKF-AM	1430	Tallahassee	WTNT-FM	94.9
Live Oak	WQHL-FM	98.1	Tallahassee	WNLS-AM	1270
Madison	WMAF-AM	1230	Tampa/St. Pete	WDAE-AM	1250
Marianna	WJAQ-FM	100.9	West Palm Beach	WBZT-AM	1290



Basketball Media Outlets

Outlet	Phone	Fax
Print Media		
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Bradenton Herald	(941) 745-7007	745-7097
Willie Hiatt		
102 Manatee Ave., West, Bradenton, FL 34205		
Daytona Beach News-Journal	(904) 252-1511	253-8433
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P.O. Box 431, Daytona Beach, FL 32015		
Flambeau, The	(850) 681-6695	681-3577
Paul Rothman*		
P.O. Box 20267, Tallahassee, FL 32316		
Florida Times-Union (Local)	(850) 224-7515	681-2961
Bob Thomas*		
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Florida Times-Union	(904) 359-4246	359-4478
Jim Nasella, Gene Frenette, Mike Bianchi (C)		
One Riverside Ave., Jacksonville, FL 32202		
Fl. Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel	(954) 356-4645	356-4676
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New River Center, 200 E. Las Olas Blvd., Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33301		
Fl. Myers News-Press	(941) 335-0358	334-0708
Scott Korzenowski (C)		
2442 Anderson Ave., Ft. Myers, FL 33901		
FSView	(850) 561-6653	561-6578
TBA		
P.O. Box 20331, Tallahassee, FL 32316		
Gainesville Sun	(352) 378-1411	338-3128
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Lakeland Ledger	(813) 687-7010	687-7016
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Northwest Florida Daily News	(850) 863-1111	862-5230
Arnold Felciano		
200 Race Track, Ft. Walton Beach, FL 32548		
Ocala Star-Banner	(352) 667-4144	667-4018
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Orlando Sentinel (Local)	(850) 222-5564	224-0979
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Panama City News-Herald	(850) 763-7621	763-4636
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St. Petersburg Times	(813) 693-8123	693-8782
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P.O. Box 1121, St. Petersburg, FL 33731		

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United Press International	(305) 445-1750	445-1769
Les Kajos		
800 Douglas Rd., Suite 565, Coral Gables, FL 33134		

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2704 Vasser Road, Tallahassee, FL 32308		
Sunshine Network	(407) 648-1150	648-1679
Paul Kennedy (Talent), Jeff DeMoss		
390 N. Orange Ave., Suite 275, Orlando, FL 32801		
WCTV-TV (CBS)	(850) 693-2126	668-3851
Randy Ruditz, Mark Rushing, Dennis Schnitker		
P.O. Box 3048, Tallahassee, FL 32315		
WEAR-TV (ABC)	(850) 455-4599	455-6972
Dan Shugar*		
P.O. Box 12278, Pensacola, FL 32581		
WESH-TV (NBC)	(407) 539-7895	539-7948
Mark Middleton		
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WFTV-TV (ABC)	(407) 244-8367	841-8251
Pat Clarke		
P.O. Box 999, Orlando, FL 32802		
WJHG-TV (NBC)	(850) 234-2128	233-6647
Scott Rossman		
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Sam Kouvaris		
P.O. Box 5270, Jacksonville, FL 32207		
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P.O. Box 1340, Panama City, FL 32401		
WNLS RADIO	(850) 386-6143	385-8789
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ALL TIMES EASTERN

RJ - Raycom/Jefferson-Pilot
 HTS - Home Team Sports
 FSS - Fox Sports South
 SUN - SunShine
 RSN - Regional Sports Network (HTS,SUN,FSS)

November

Tuesday, November 11
 Georgia vs. N.C. State ESPN2 7:30
 Meadowlands, East Rutherford, N.J.

Wednesday, November 12
 N.C. State in Coaches Tourney TBA

Friday, November 14
 UNC-Wilmington at Clemson HTS 7:00
 Middle Tennessee St. at North Carolina 7:00
 Maryland vs. South Carolina ESPN 7:30
 Minneapolis, Minn.
 Florida State at Rice SUN 9:00

Saturday, November 15
 WMI at Wake Forest 7:30

Sunday, November 16
 Duke at Army HTS 1:00
 Virginia vs. Richmond 7:30

Monday, November 17
 Loyola (Md.) at Florida State (NIT) 7:00
 Wake Forest at N.C. State 7:30
 Navy at Wake Forest FSS 7:30

Tuesday, November 18
 Fairleigh Dickinson at Maryland 7:30

Wednesday, November 19
 William & Mary at Virginia 7:30
 North Carolina at Richmond 7:30
 Florida State in Preseason NIT ESPN TBA

Thursday, November 20
 Davidson at Duke ESPN2 6:30

Friday, November 21
 Clemson vs. Iowa TBA
 Top of the World Tournament, Fairbanks, Alaska
 Georgetown vs. Wake Forest ESPN 7:30
 Springfield, Mass.

Saturday, November 22
 Clemson in Top of the World Tourney TBA
 California at North Carolina FSS/HTS 7:30
 Mt. St. Mary's at Maryland 7:30
 George Mason at Virginia TBA

Sunday, November 23
 Clemson in
 Top of the World Tourney Fox TBA

Monday, November 24
 Duke in Maui Invitational ESPN2 2:00
 Winthrop at Georgia Tech 7:30
 Liberty at Wake Forest 7:30

Tuesday, November 25
 Virginia at Delaware 7:30
 Fla. International at Maryland 7:30
 North Texas at N.C. State 7:30
 Duke in Maui Invitational ESPN TBA

Wednesday, November 26
 Florida State in Preseason NIT ESPN TBA
 Duke in Maui Invitational ESPN TBA

Thursday, November 27
 Georgia Tech vs. Alabama FSS 3:00
 Puerto Rico Shootout, San Juan, P.R.
 North Carolina vs. UCLA ESPN 9:00
 Great Alaskan Shootout, Anchorage, Alaska

Friday, November 28
 Georgia Tech in Puerto Rico Shootout TBA
 North Carolina in
 Alaska Shootout ESPN TBA
 Florida State in Preseason NIT ESPN TBA

Saturday, November 29
 Richmond at Wake Forest HTS/SUN 1:00
 N.C. State at Penn State HTS 7:00
 Kentucky vs. Clemson Fox Spots Net 8:00
 Phoenix, Arizona
 Georgia Tech in Puerto Rico Shootout TBA
 North Carolina in
 Alaska Shootout ESPN TBA

December

Monday, December 1
 South Carolina State at Duke HTS/SUN 7:30

Tuesday, December 2
 Florida Atlantic at Florida State SUN 7:00
 Appalachian State at Virginia 7:30

Wednesday, December 3
 Wake Forest at Davidson 7:30
 UNC-Greensboro at Duke 7:30
 North Carolina vs. Louisville ESPN 7:30
 United Center, Chicago, Illinois

Thursday, December 4
 N.C. State at Georgia Tech RSN 7:00
 Maryland at Clemson RJ 9:00

Friday, December 5
 No. Carolina vs.
 UT-Chattanooga Raycom 9:00
 Tournament of Champions, Charlotte, N.C.

Saturday, December 6
 Utah at Wake Forest ESPN noon
 Virginia at Duke RJ 2:00
 Delaware State at Georgia Tech 4:00
 Jacksonville at Florida State SUN 4:00
 Furman at Clemson 7:00
 North Carolina vs. Virginia Tech Raycom 9:00
 Tournament of Champions, Charlotte, N.C.

Sunday, December 7
 Maryland vs. Kansas ABC 1:30
 Franklin National Bank Classic, Washington, DC
 Md.-Baltimore County
 at N.C. State 2:00

Monday, December 8
 Maryland in
 Franklin Bank Classic HTS TBA

Wednesday, December 10
 Villanova at Duke ESPN 7:30
 Connecticut at Virginia 7:30

Saturday, December 13
 Georgia Tech at Kentucky ESPN noon
 Clemson vs. Illinois (Chicago) CBS 2:00
 Duke at Michigan CBS 4:00
 Virginia vs. Va. Commonwealth 7:30
 Md.-Baltimore County
 at Maryland 7:30
 Princeton at North Carolina ESPN 8:30

Sunday, December 14
 Florida vs. Florida State FSS/SUN 4:00
 Orlando (Fla.) Arena

Tuesday, December 16
 Hampton at North Carolina 7:00

Wednesday, December 17
 UNC-Asheville at Florida State SUN 7:00
 South Carolina at Clemson ESPN 7:30
 Coastal Carolina
 at Georgia Tech 7:30
 Wake Forest at Marshall 7:30

Thursday, December 18
 Sam Houston State
 at N.C. State 7:30

Friday, December 19
 Princeton vs. Wake Forest ESPN 7:00
 Seton Hall vs. Clemson ESPN 9:00
 Jimmy V Classic, The Meadowlands

Saturday, December 20
 Louisville vs. Georgia Tech ESPN noon
 Georgia Dome, Atlanta, Ga.
 North Carolina at Florida State CBS 2:00
 South Carolina State
 at N.C. State 7:30

Sunday, December 21
 Mercer at Duke 2:00

Monday, December 22
 Charleston Southern
 at Clemson FSS 7:00
 UNC-Asheville at Maryland 7:30
 Hampton at N.C. State 7:30
 WMI at Virginia 7:30
 Radford at Wake Forest 7:30

Tuesday, December 23
 Georgia Tech at Georgia TBA
 Arizona at Florida State ESPN2 7:00

Saturday, December 27
 North Carolina at Georgia CBS noon
 UNC-Wilmington at Maryland noon
 Georgia Tech at Miami FSS/HTS 4:00
 Virginia vs. Nebraska, Rainbow Classic 9:30

Sunday, December 28

South Carolina State at Clemson FSS 2:00

Monday, December 29
 Virginia in Rainbow Classic ESPN2 TBA
 N. Carolina
 at Bethune Cookman FSS/SUN 7:00
 Florida State at S.W. Louisiana FSS/SUN 9:00

Tuesday, December 30
 Virginia in Rainbow Classic ESPN TBA
 Clemson at Western Kentucky ESPN2 5:30
 Maryland at Missouri ESPN 7:00
 Portland State at Duke FSS 7:30

Wednesday, December 31
 North Texas at Georgia Tech 1:00
 Morehead State at N.C. State 7:30
 Florida State at DePaul 4:00

January

Saturday, January 3
 Florida State at N.C. State RJ 1:30
 Wake Forest at Georgia Tech 1:00
 North Carolina at Clemson RJ/ESPN2 4:00
 Duke at Maryland ESPN 6:00

Sunday, January 4
 Wake Forest vs. Virginia RJ 1:00

Wednesday, January 7
 Florida State at Maryland ESPN 7:00
 Liberty at Virginia 7:30
 N.C. State at Duke ESPN 9:00

Thursday, January 8
 Clemson at Wake Forest ESPN2 7:00
 Georgia Tech at North Carolina RJ 8:00

Saturday, January 10
 Virginia vs. Virginia Tech ESPN noon
 Virginia at North Carolina RJ/ESPN2 1:30
 Wake Forest at Georgia Tech RJ/ESPN2 4:00
 Duke at Florida State ESPN 7:30

Monday, January 12
 Virginia vs. Virginia Tech RSN 7:00
 Rasmussen (Va.) Civic Center

Tuesday, January 13
 Florida State at Clemson RJ 6:00

Wednesday, January 14
 Duke at Wake Forest ESPN 7:00
 Memphis at N.C. State 7:30
 North Carolina at Maryland ESPN 9:00

Thursday, January 15
 Georgia Tech at Virginia RJ 6:00

Saturday, January 17
 Clemson at Duke ABC 1:00
 Appalachian State
 at North Carolina RJ 4:00
 Maryland at Wake Forest ESPN 7:30

Sunday, January 18
 N.C. State at Virginia RJ 1:30
 Florida State at Georgia Tech RJ 4:00

Tuesday, January 20
 North Carolina A&T vs. Duke 7:30
 Greensboro (N.C.) Coliseum
 Virginia at Clemson RJ 8:00

Wednesday, January 21
 North Carolina at N.C. State ESPN 7:00
 Maryland at Georgia Tech RJ 9:00

Thursday, January 22
 Wake Forest at Florida State ESPN2 7:00

Saturday, January 24
 Duke at Virginia CBS noon
 Clemson at Maryland RJ/ESPN2 4:00
 Florida State at North Carolina RJ 8:00

Sunday, January 25
 Georgia Tech at N.C. State RJ 1:00
 Missouri at Wake Forest ABC 4:00

Tuesday, January 27
 Virginia at Wake Forest RJ 8:00

Wednesday, January 28
 N.C. State at Florida State 7:00
 Georgia Southern
 at Georgia Tech 7:30
 Clemson at North Carolina ESPN 7:00

Thursday, January 29
 Maryland at Duke RJ 8:00

Saturday, January 31

North Carolina at Wake Forest ABC 1:00
 N.C. State at Clemson RJ 4:00
 Florida State at South Florida 7:30

February

Sunday, February 1
 Georgia Tech at Duke RJ 1:30
 Virginia at Maryland RJ 4:00

Wednesday, February 4
 Clemson at Georgia Tech ESPN 7:00
 Florida State at Virginia 7:30
 Wake Forest at N.C. State RJ 9:00

Thursday, February 5
 Duke at North Carolina RJ/ESPN2 9:00

Saturday, February 7
 Maryland at Florida State RSN noon
 Wake Forest at Clemson RJ 1:30

Sunday, February 8
 North Carolina at Georgia Tech RJ/ESPN2 1:00
 Duke at N.C. State ABC 3:30

Tuesday, February 10
 Florida State at Duke RJ 9:00

Wednesday, February 11
 N.C. State at Maryland 7:30
 Georgia Tech at Wake Forest 7:30
 Western Carolina at Clemson 7:00
 North Carolina at Virginia ESPN 9:00

Saturday, February 14
 Virginia at Georgia Tech RSN noon
 Maryland at North Carolina ABC 1:30
 Wake Forest at Duke RJ/ESPN2 4:00
 Norfolk State at N.C. State 7:30

Sunday, February 15
 Clemson at Florida State RJ 4:00

Wednesday, February 18
 Georgia Tech at Florida State 7:00
 Virginia at N.C. State RSN 7:00
 Duke at Clemson ESPN 9:00

Thursday, February 19
 Wake Forest at Maryland RJ 9:00

Saturday, February 21
 Clemson at Wake Forest RSN noon
 Florida State at Virginia ABC 1:30
 Georgia Tech at Maryland RJ 4:00
 N.C. State at North Carolina RJ/ESPN2 4:00

Sunday, February 22
 UCLA at Duke ABC 1:30

Tuesday, February 24
 Wake Forest at North Carolina RJ 9:00
 Maryland at Virginia RJ 9:00

Wednesday, February 25
 Duke at Georgia Tech ESPN 7:00

Thursday, February 26
 Clemson at N.C. State ESPN 7:30

Saturday, February 28
 North Carolina at Duke ABC 2:00
 Virginia at Florida State RJ 4:00
 Temple vs. Maryland 1:00
 Baltimore (Md.) Arena

MARCH

Sunday, March 1
 Georgia Tech at Clemson RJ 1:00
 N.C. State at Wake Forest ABC 3:45

45th Annual
 ACC Tournament
 Greensboro (N.C.) Coliseum

Thursday, March 5
 Seed #7 vs. Seed #8 ESPN 7:00
 Seed #1 vs. Seed #9 RJ 9:00

Friday, March 6
 Seed #3 vs. Seed #6 RJ/ESPN noon
 Winner Game 1 vs. Seed #2 RJ/ESPN 2:00
 Seed #4 vs. Seed #5 RJ/ESPN2 7:00

Saturday, March 7
 Winner Game 3
 vs. Winner Game 4 RJ/ESPN 1:30
 Winner Game 2
 vs. Winner Game 5 RJ/ESPN 4:00

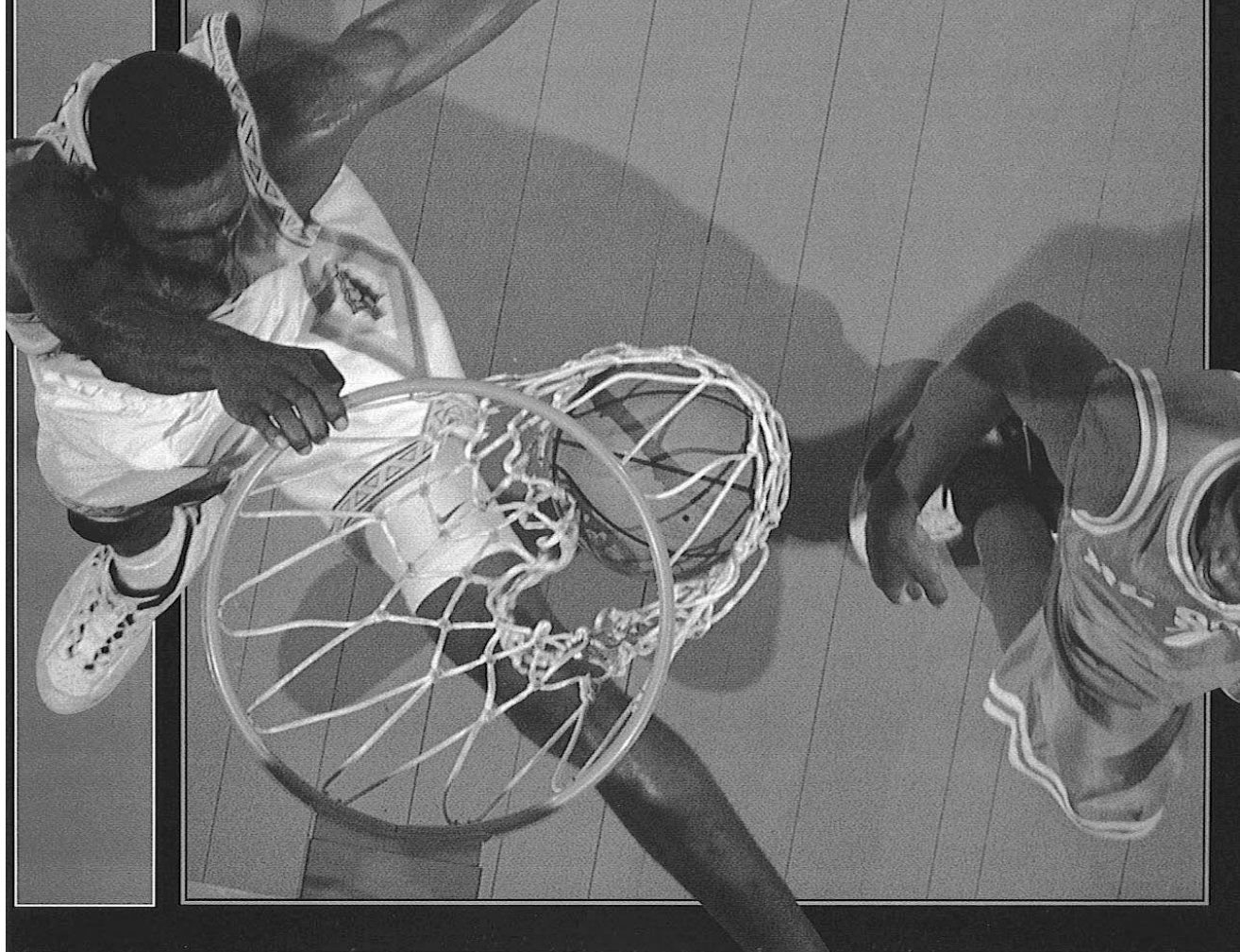
Sunday, March 8
 Winner Game 6
 vs. Winner Game 7 RJ/ESPN 1:00



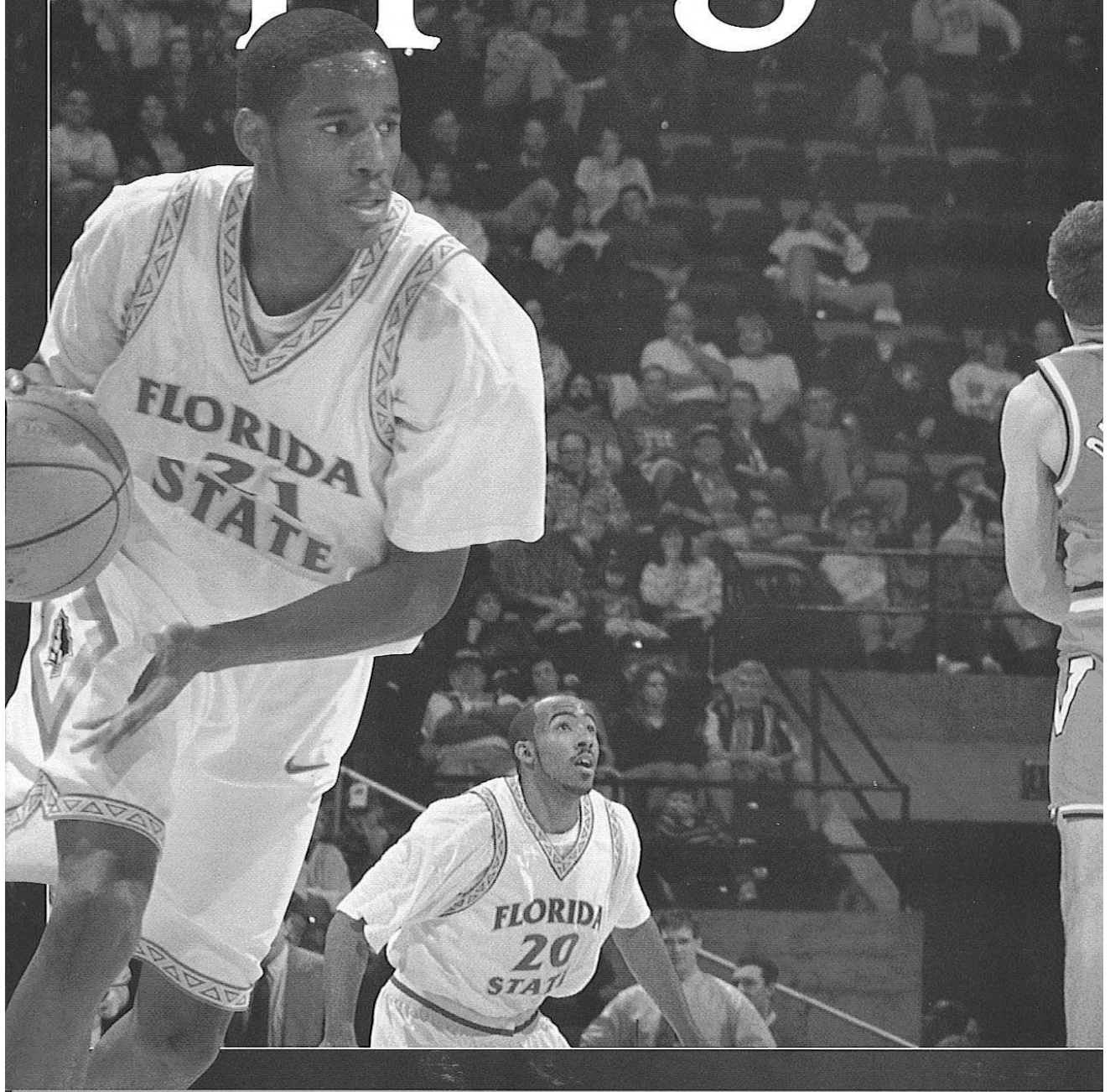
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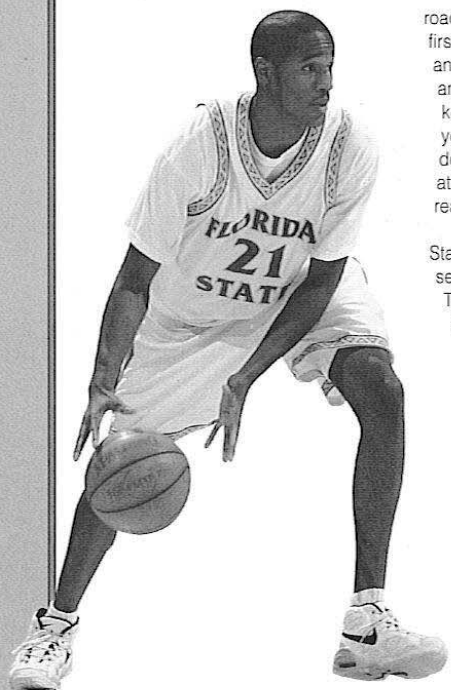




a New Era

The excitement surrounding the upcoming Florida State basketball season is as high as it has been in recent memory. A new coaching staff is eager to begin teaching. The players are anxious to get to work. And Seminole fans have been talking FSU basketball throughout the summer.

And there is good reason for the excitement. One of the top young coaches in the nation, Steve Robinson, takes over the Seminole program in 1997-98. Florida State returns four starters and seven regulars, from last year's 20-win team. And the schedule - featuring back-to-back home games with Final Four teams in December and the Preseason NIT - is stronger than it has been in recent years.



Sophomore Ran Hale will challenge for the starting job at small forward. He showed flashes of his potential last season when he made 10 starts and keyed a win over No. 5 Maryland with 17 points.

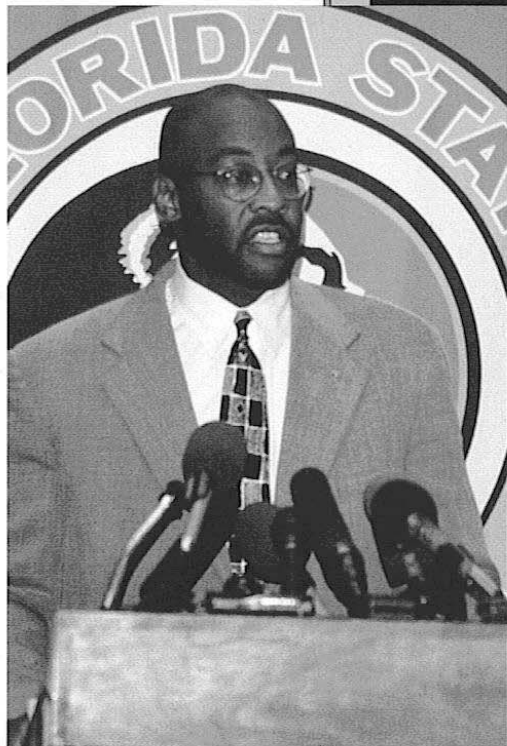
road (your goals), it starts with the first day of practice, then the next and the next. Then the first game and the second game ... you just keep adding them up. If you teach yourself to do the best job you can do each day, then all those things at the end of the road become a reality."

Leading the way for Florida State on the floor this season will be senior point guard Kerry Thompson. Thompson emerged as one of the Atlantic Coast Conference's top newcomers and a go-to man for the Tribe last season. The New York City native, who spent his first two years at nearby Tallahassee Community College, won a pair of games with last-second shots and sent a third into overtime (which the Seminoles eventually won) with a buzzer-beating three-pointer. He finished second in the ACC in assists and steals and his assist-to-turnover ratio of nearly 2-to-1 was also among the league's best. Thompson, who

averaged 8.8 points per game last season, could evolve into more of a scorer this season with the departure of backcourt mate James Collins, who led FSU in scoring at 16.6 points per game last year.

"Kerry loves to play basketball," said Robinson, "he is a gym rat. He can do a lot of things for us and is in the best shape of his life. I think he's looking forward to the way we are trying to play."

Florida State will also welcome the return of three starters, seniors LaMarr Greer and Corey Louis and junior Randell Jackson, back on the frontline. Greer, who started at point guard during his first two seasons at FSU, adjusted well in his transition to the wing last season. He averaged 8.4 points and 3.9 rebounds per game while starting 20 games at small forward. The Cape May, NJ native took his game to another level



Steve Robinson was named the sixth head coach in Florida State basketball history on July 1. He welcomes four starters back from last season's 20-win team.

over the final third of the season when he averaged 10.0 points, including a career-high 23 points in a loss to Duke. Greer also starred in Florida State's run to the NIT Championship game, averaging 11.4 points, 4.2 rebounds and hitting 41 percent from three-point range in the postseason.

Louis is also a vital cog in Robinson's first year plans. Plagued by injuries throughout the 1996-97 campaign, Louis still managed to average 11.0 points and a team-leading 6.8 rebounds per game. The Miami native missed seven games during the season, four after left knee surgery and three with a plantar fasciitis injury, and was never really at 100 percent during the ACC portion of the schedule.

"They both bring something different to the table," Robinson said. "LaMarr has worked extremely hard in the off-season. He is very versatile and will have to be for us."

"Corey is big, strong and can be a

Robinson was hired as the Florida State program's sixth head coach on July 1. And while most of his summer as a resident of Tallahassee was spent on the road during the July recruiting period, he will hit the ground running with a veteran squad for the 1997-98 campaign. Four seniors, three who were starters a year ago, and three juniors, including one starter last year, dot the 1997-98 Seminole roster.

"I have one goal for myself and this team," said Robinson. "That is to do the best job we can do every day. In every practice and in every game."

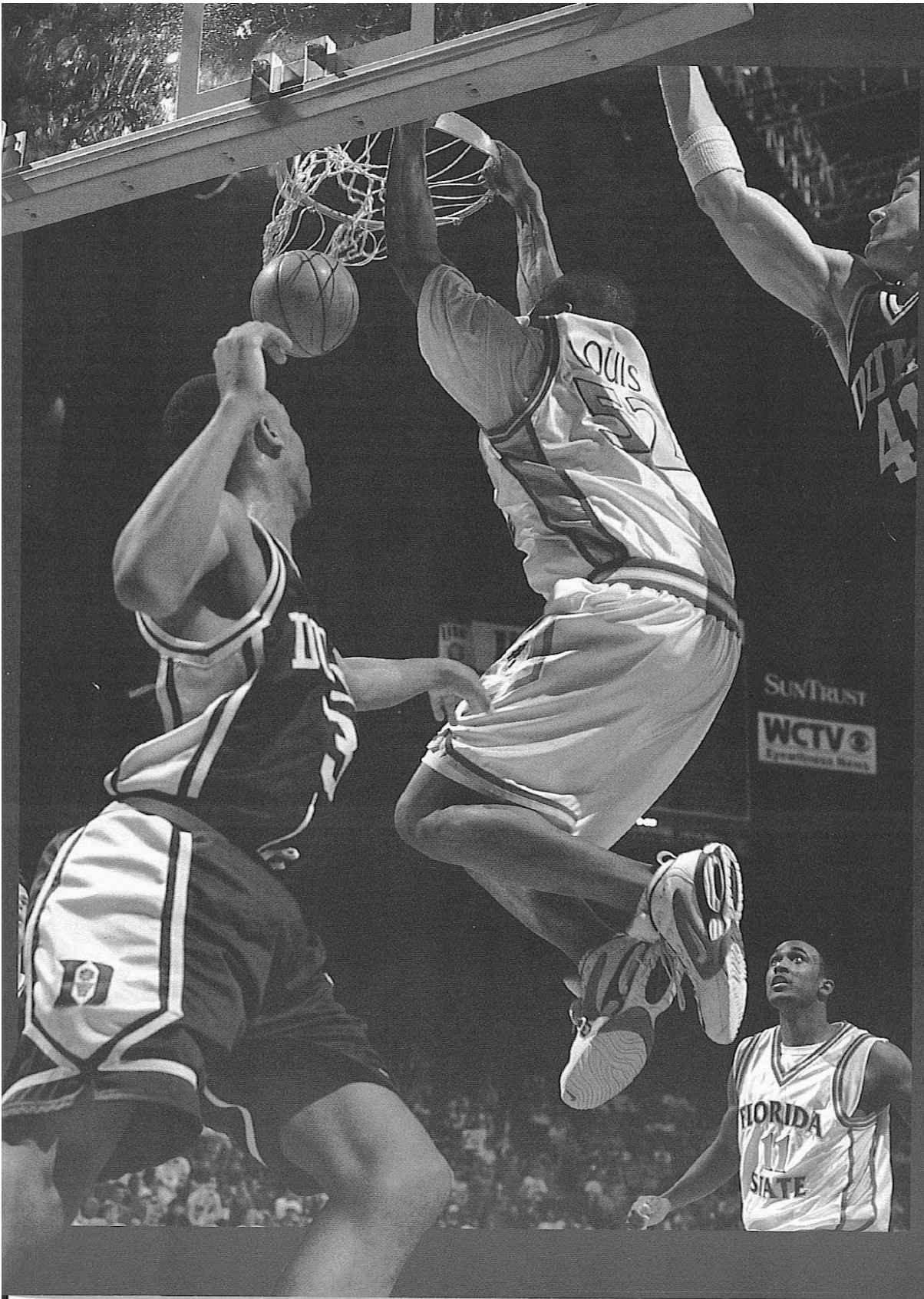
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very physical player down low. He worked very hard over the summer to improve his physical size. He is ready for his senior season."

Joining Louis in the frontcourt and giving the Seminoles one of the league's better big man combinations is Jackson. He tied Louis for second on the team in scoring last season at 11.0 points per game and added 6.3 rebounds per contest. He is another player on the Florida State roster that elevated his game in the postseason, averaging 14.8 points, 9.0 rebounds and 1.6 blocked shots in FSU's five NIT games. The Boston native also posted four double-doubles in the final seven games of the season.

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one who really worked hard to get ready for the season over the summer. We will find ways to make him effective with the skills that he has."

Also returning after contributing regularly in 1996-97 are junior Geoff Brower and sophomores Ron Hale and Devonaire Deas.

Brower's early season time will be limited after suffering a torn anterior cruciate ligament in his right knee in Florida State's second round NIT win over Michigan State. His rehabilitation is proceeding well and he may be available as early as December. When healthy, Brower can provide scoring punch and three-point shooting off the bench.

Hale started 10 games during the middle portion of the season last year at small forward and has a variety of skills. He can put the ball on the floor, is a solid rebounder and may be the team's best shooter. In his first collegiate start, Hale responded with 10 points and seven rebounds at Seton Hall and three games later, he scored a season-high tying 17 points in a 74-70 win over No. 5 Maryland.

Deas started the first three games at point guard last year before moving into a reserve role behind Thompson. Deas is academically ineligible to play until the end of the first semester.

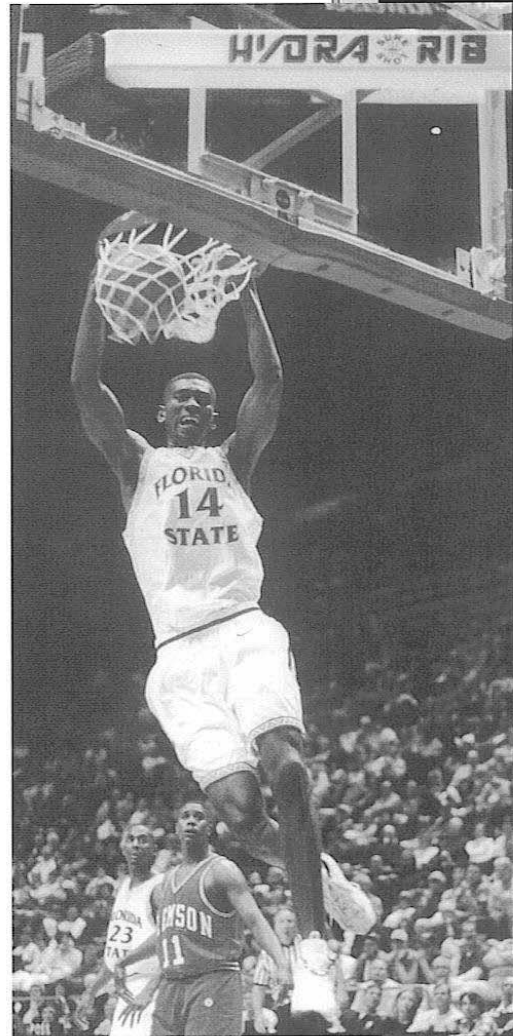
The loss of Collins, a second round pick in last June's NBA Draft and Florida State's third all-time leading scorer, leaves a scoring void in the backcourt. While Thompson could shoulder more of the scoring load in his senior season, it is 6-6 junior college transfer Terrell Baker who may replace Collins in the starting lineup. Baker comes to FSU with impressive credentials from Champlain College in Burlington, VT. He was regarded as one of the nation's top junior college players in both his seasons there and earned third-team

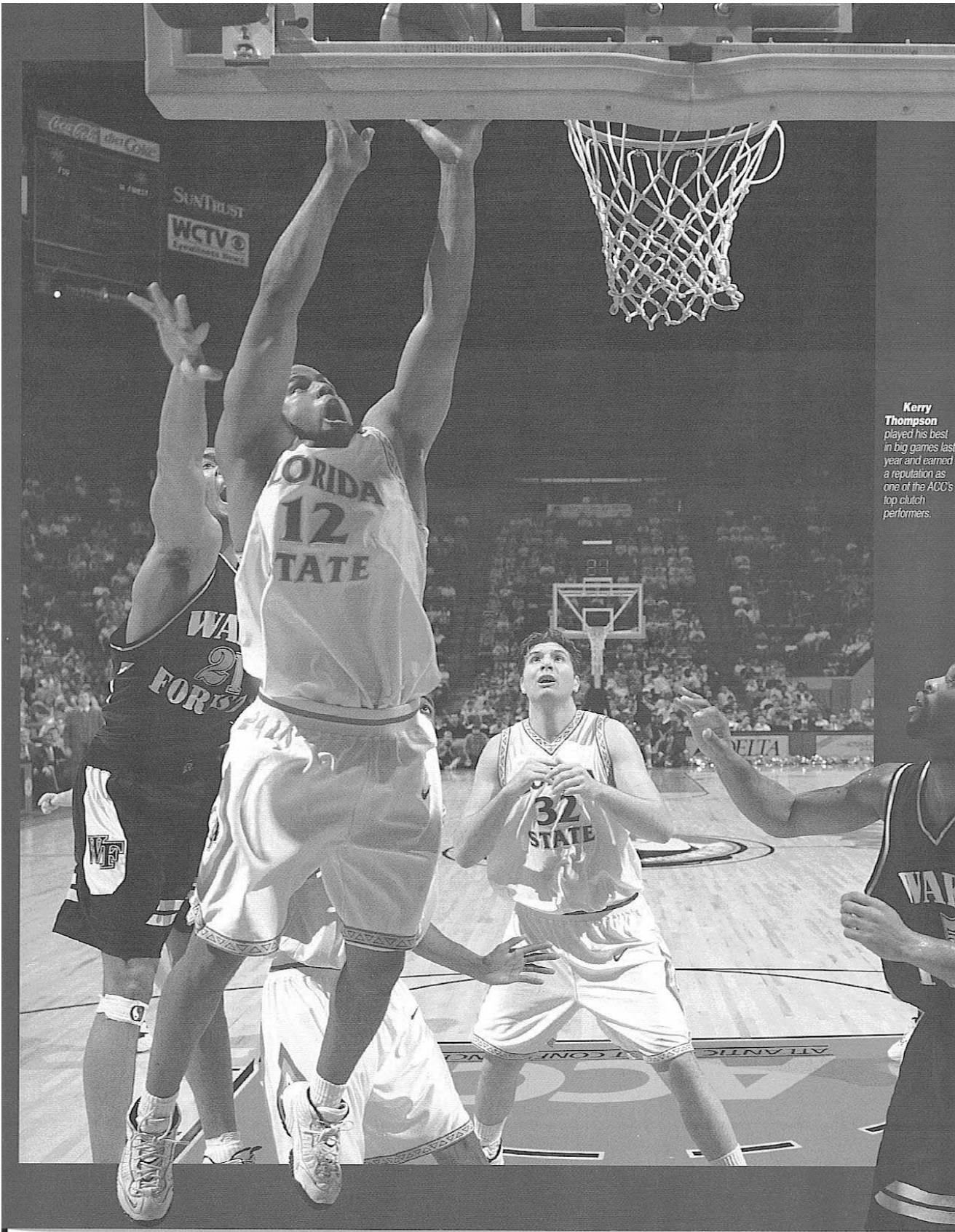
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Randell Jackson is ready to emerge as one of the best players in the nation. He teams with Corey Louis to form an imposing big man duo.



Geoff Brower's early-season status is in question. He tore the anterior cruciate ligament in his right knee in the postseason last year.





Kerry Thompson played his best in big games last year and earned a reputation as one of the ACC's top clutch performers.

All-American honors after both his freshman and sophomore campaigns. Last year, Baker led his team to a 31-2 record and an eighth place finish at the national junior college tournament while averaging 21.0 points per game and hitting 41.4 percent from three-point range.



Senior Corey Louis is one of 25 preseason candidates for the Wooden Award given annually to the national player of the year.

"Terrell is an extremely hard worker and is very competitive," said Robinson. "I don't know if there is anyone on this team who is more competitive than that young man."

Another backcourt newcomer, point guard Delvon Arrington from St. Anthony's High School in Jersey City, NJ, will sit out his first season at FSU in accordance to NCAA regulations. He will practice with the team, however.

"Adrian Crawford, a 6-5 guard who is the son of assistant coach Coleman Crawford, transferred into the program over the summer from Tulsa. He was named to the Western Athletic Conference's All-Rookie team last year, but will sit out the 1997-98 season."

Three frontcourt newcomers - sophomore transfer Oliver Simmons, redshirt freshman Ronald Thompson and true freshman Karim Shabazz - are expected to contribute along the front-line in their first year at FSU.

Simmons, a 6-8 forward, transferred into the Seminole program from Kentucky last January and will be eligible to play at Florida State at the end of the fall semester. Thompson at 6-7, sat out last season as a redshirt and will be in the mix for playing time at small forward. Shabazz is a highly acclaimed 7-2 center who prepped at Lawrence Woodmere Academy on Long Island, NY. Shabazz was regarded as one of the nation's top 10 centers and top 50 players a year ago.

Florida State's 1997-98 schedule should be its most challenging in years. Along with the always tough ACC slate, which opens at home with 1997 Final Four participant North Carolina on December 20, the Seminoles will host defending national champion Arizona on December 23. Minnesota, another Final Four team from a year ago, is a possible second round opponent in the Preseason NIT. That means FSU could play three of last year's Final Four teams prior to January.

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