

## FACES FROM THE PAST



The Gators girls soccer team in the Wilson Recreation Department's Ages 9-10 girls league for fall soccer in 2003. Wilson Recreation Department

**N**early each week in The Wilson Times, we will run a couple or three old photos of Wilson Recreation Department teams, players or events. Today's photos are the 1985 7th-8th Grade boys basketball Division II tournament champion Colonials and the 2003 Ages 9-10 girls soccer team, the Gators.

If you recognize the people in the photos, you can call us at 252-265-7808, email us at sports@wilsontimes.com or just leave a comment on the



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online story at [www.wilsontimes.com](http://www.wilsontimes.com). We will compile all the responses and post them on the comments section online. If you would like a digital copy of one of the photos, drop by the office at Recreation Park Community Center on Sunset Road. For a \$2 donation to Wilson Recreation Department athletics programs, you can get a copy emailed to you. For more information, contact the Rec at 252-399-2266.

## Coleman earns Offense-Defense Youth All-America acclaim

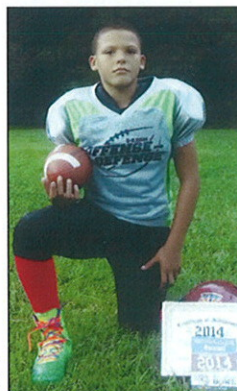
From staff reports

While attending an Offense-Defense Football Camp in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina earlier this summer, 11-year-old Malachi Coleman of Lucama was named an Offense-Defense Youth All-American.

Malachi, who is a running back and linebacker for the North Johnston Panthers of the Johnston County Youth Football League, will participate in the ninth annual Offense-Defense Bowl Week activities in Orlando, Florida, in December. Malachi, the son of Stacey and Tony Coleman, will begin sixth grade at Springfield Middle School next week. He was chosen from a group of youth football players across the nation based on his performance during the camp.

The Offense-Defense Youth All-American Bowl is part of a week-long series of events including the televised, ninth-annual Offense-Defense All-American Bowl, an all-star game showcasing 88 of the top high school seniors in the country. Former Hunt High star Lewis Neal, now a sophomore at LSU, played in the Offense-Defense All-American Bowl in 2012 and other alumni include Carolina Panthers quarterback Cam Newton and Dallas Cowboys wide receiver Dez Bryant.

Offense-Defense Sports, which has been operating full-contact football instructional camps for 45 years, runs approximately 40 camps nationwide each spring and summer.



Malachi Coleman of Lucama, a sixth-grader at Springfield Middle School, was selected for the 2014 Offense-Defense Youth All-American Bowl based on his play at an Offense-Defense Football Camp in Myrtle Beach, S.C., earlier this summer. Coleman, also accorded Offense-Defense All-American status, will play in the game in late December in Orlando, Fla. Contributed photo

## AREA GOLF BRIEF

### Entries accepted for county amateur golf championship

Entries are being accepted for the annual H.W. Weatherford Memorial Wilson County Amateur Championship golf tournament, scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 6-7, at Wedgewood Public Golf Course.

Shotgun tee times are planned for 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. both days. First-round scores will influence the formation of flights and whether the tee time will be in the morning or afternoon for Sunday's round.

The entry fee is \$60 for ages 49-under and \$50 for the following age divisions: 50-59, 60-above and 70-above.

Entry forms are available at Wedgewood, Happy Valley Country Club, Willow Springs Country Club and Wilson Country Club. Entries will not be accepted unless accompanied by the entry fee.

Completed entries and fees may be mailed to: Wedgewood Golf Course, P.O. Box 10, Wilson, N.C. 27894 or submitted in the Wedgewood pro shop.

For more information, telephone 252-4761.



### Whitener Capital to serve as WYSA sponsor

Wilson Youth Soccer Association Director of Coaching Charlie Morgan, right, and Rick Sanford, the President of Whitener Capital Management, Inc., pose with an official WYSA Jersey emblazoned with the Whitener Capital Management logo after it was announced this week that the 27-year-old investment firm will be a WYSA sponsor, including the prime sponsor for its annual Summer Explosion Cup tournament. Contributed photo



NASCAR driver Tony Stewart has not raced since he struck and killed a fellow driver who left his car and was on the track in a race Aug. 9 at Canandaigua Motorsports Park in upstate New York. AP

## Stewart: Fellow drivers bristle at accusations

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since the accident. But they've come to his defense, with six-time champion Jimmie Johnson saying nothing he's seen has convinced him that Ward's death was anything but a tragic accident.

Kevin Harvick, a longtime friend of Stewart's and his teammate at SHR, also bristled at the negative portrayal of Stewart since Ward's death.

"I've known Tony Stewart for a long time ... I know for sure that Tony Stewart is not going to run over somebody," Harvick said. "I don't think there's anybody in this garage that would. It would be hard to find

somebody in the racing world that could point that car, just run somebody over."

NASCAR last week announced a rule that prohibits drivers from exiting from a crashed or disabled vehicle — unless it is on fire — until safety personnel arrive.

Stewart has 48 career Cup wins in 542 starts. He has one career win at Bristol, in 2001.

Burton made just his third start of the season last week. The 21-time Sprint Cup winner parted ways with Richard Childress Racing at the end of the season and is transitioning into an analyst for NBC. Burton won at Bristol in 2008 and has 15 top-10 finishes in 40 career starts.

## Lemons extends Whelen Late Model points lead at Southern National

From staff reports

Tommy Lemons Jr. continues to exercise the expression "if wins come, the points will come too" in ruling the NASCAR Whelen All-American Series Late Model Stock division at Southern National Motorsports Park, situated between Lucama and Kenly, last weekend.

Lemons extended his points lead with a pair of checkered flags in twin 50-lap features. He will enter the next race with a 64-point lead against Myatt Snider, who competed in a backup car. Mike Darne and Ryan Wilson each moved up one spot to third and fourth, respectively, while Lee Pulliam, absent last weekend, dropped to fifth.

With his racer sitting on the pole in the first feature, Lemons claimed the lead on the opening lap and stayed out front. He faced stiff competition on multiple restarts but was more than equal to each challenge. Ricky Jones owned the runner-up spot the first 25 laps but was eventually overtaken by Ryan Wilson. The runner-up finish was a season's best for Wilson. Snider wound up fourth and Darne fifth. The top seven cars were inverted for the second 50-lapper, with Jonathan Findley and Scott Wise on the front row. Snider started fourth and Lemons seventh.

A first-lap caution enabled Snider and Lemons to move up a position. Darne bolted to an early advantage. Following a second caution, Lemons capitalized on a "cone restart" to vault to the outside of the front row. When the final green flag dropped, Lemons' racer roared out front, leaving Darne to settle for second. Wilson, Jones and Snider placed third, fourth and fifth, respectively.

Andrew Grady and Chris Chapman posted Limited Late Model wins, while Michael O'Brien prevailed in the Chargers 30-lap main event.



Travis Green and Tyler Horne claimed UCAR top finishes, while Greg Barnette raced to the Street Stock top finish.

In Limited Late Models, Grady made a triumphant return from a back injury. Ross Dalton led the first 25 laps of the opening race before Grady benefited from a competition caution. Michael Fose charged to a second-place finish, with Chris Chapman taking third. An inverted field put Chapman on the pole for the second race, and he stayed out front for his first 2014 checkered flag. Grady wound up second and Fose third.

In the Chargers 30-lap feature, O'Brien held off rookie Jeremy Bohne for his second win in as many races. Third-place Wayne Goss staved off Gerald Benton to maintain his points lead (12 points).

UCAR drivers treated fans to twin 20-lappers. In the opener, Travis Green claimed the pole and led every lap. Tyler Horne, who started at the rear, ran out of time and his sixth-place finish cost him the points lead to James Stroud.

In Race 2, Horne overtook early leader Mickey Connor and hung on for the win. Stroud stormed through the field to finish second, with Connor salvaging third.

Barnette bested Jonathan Korngay for Street Stock supremacy, and Will Bristle and Kade Lambert copped Legends and Bandolero wins, respectively.