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Jim Biggerstaff

Jim Biggerstaff, who has led South Point High School football teams to an outstanding 67-15-5 record for the past eight star-studded seasons, is called, in terms of much respect, "Chief" by his fine assistant coaches, and friends.

He is the "Chief" in South Point's football wigwam, making football THE game in town in the communities which encompass South Point High School.

Biggerstaff is a 1954 graduate of old Belmont High School, where he was a star running back on the old Red Raider single wing teams and an outstanding baseball player in the spring.

Biggerstaff attended the University of Tennessee during his freshman year in college, playing wingback on the freshman football team. He transferred to Western Carolina University for his sophomore, junior and senior years, playing fullback for the Catamounts.

After graduating from WCU in 1959, Biggerstaff was Bill Eustler's right-hand man for the powerful Rockingham Rockets and the baseball coach there for 16 years prior to moving back to Belmont to take over the helm of the Red Raiders in football and to serve as the school's athletic director.

One opposing coach has made the comment that "when you play South Point, you feel like a long-tailed cat on a front porch filled with rocking chairs."

In '71, Jim was named the outstanding football coach in North Carolina by the Association of Sports Broadcasters.

Biggerstaff, whose teams play an exciting brand of football out of the Power-I, was the head coach for the West All-Stars in the '74 East-West game in Greensboro, which was won by the West. He was an assistant coach in the '75 Shrine Bowl game in Charlotte, which annually pits the top seniors from North Carolina against a similar group from South Carolina.

In 1956, Coach Biggerstaff married his high school sweetheart, the former Joyce Wilson of Belmont. They have a daughter, Jamie, who is a junior at South Point, and an 11-year-old son, Jeff.



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Don Ratchford

Message From The Principal

On behalf of the South Point High School students, staff, and administration I WELCOME YOU TO LINEBERGER STADIUM and another Big Red football game. The activities tonight directly involve the efforts of hundreds of students, staff members, parents and friends of the school who contribute their time and efforts toward making a South Point football game an arousing and enjoyable event.

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Earl Lingafeldt

Earl Lingafeldt is a 1963 graduate of Drexel High School. He received his A and BS degree in health and physical education at Lenoir-Rhyne college in '66.

While at Lenoir-Rhyne, Earl lettered in football as an outstanding lineman for four years and was named to the All-Conference and All-District college teams during his junior and senior seasons.

After graduating from L-R, he came to Belmont as an assistant coach in charge of the line, a position he still holds on the football staff. The Red Raider linemen are aggressive because Lingafeldt himself was and still is aggressive.

In girls basketball, where Lingafeldt has been the head coach since '69, his teams have compiled a winning percentage of over .800 and have been the scourge of the Southwestern 3-A Conference.

Southwestern 3-A Conference. He coached back-to-back WNCHSAA championship girls basketball teams in '72-'73 and '73-'74. He sent five straight teams to the WNCHSAA finals and has coached two All-Staters, Shirle Hart and Beth Beaty. His green sophomores finished fourth in the always-tough SWC last year and big things may lie ahead for the Red Raiderettes this season.

Lingafeldt coaches the track and field team in the spring. He has been an outstanding slow-pitch softball player for the Carolina A's, the defending North Carolina champion, for several seasons.

Earl and his wife, Mozelle, a Cleveland County native, have one daughter, three-year-old Lori. "She can already score a basket with either hand," smiles the redhead.

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The Closet Limited Award is presented annually to the outstanding defensive player on the South Point High School football team. The award was initiated in 1967.

The following former Red Raiders won the Closet Limited Defensive Player Award:

- 1967 -- Gary England.
- 1968 -- Judge Jackson.
- 1969 -- Burt Broadway.
- 1970 -- Don Davis.
- 1971 -- Curtis Moss. 1972 -- William Clarke.
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- 1975 -- David Willis.
- 1976 -- Mitch Painter.
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Phil Tate

Phil Tate, "Mister Baseball" in the Southwestern 3-A Conference, is a 1962 graduate of Belmont High School, where he participated in football, basketball and baseball.

He led the Southwestern 3-A Conference in batting as a second baseman for the Red Raiders as a senior with a .384 average.

Phil played baseball at Western Carolina University from 1962-66. He graduated in '67. Tate completed his masters degree at WCU this past summer.

In football, Phil coaches the offensive backs. He coached the backs at Hunter Huss High School in Gastonia in '67 and '68. He came to South Point in '69, and his SP baseball teams have been practically unbeatable since that time.

Tate's baseball teams have won four conference championships (Southwestern 3-A) outright and had two second-place finishes.

Tate's Red Raider team won the WNCHSAA championship back-to-back in '72 and '73. The Big Red finished as the runner-up team in the association this past spring.

Tate is married to the former Trish Forbes of Belmont and they have two daughters, seven-year-old Kristin and four-year-old Ashley.

"My only son," quips Tate, "is a Heinz mutt named, appropriately, 'Homer."

Tate has coached two All-Staters in baseball, Butch Harris, now in the Cincinnati Red organization, and Karl Witzke, who is attending Western Carolina University this fall.

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The former winners of the Gerald Cortner Most Versatile Player Award are:

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- 1974 -- Robin Ratchford.
- 1975 -- Dennis Isles.
- 1976 -- Joe Shepherd.
- 1977 -- Mitch Painter

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Butch Adams

Butch Adams is a graduate of Ashley High School and Wofford College where he lettered four years in baseball.

After graduating from Wofford, Adams taught two years at Humphrey School in Lowell. He took a coaching position at Holbrook Junior High in 1970, coaching both football and baseball.

Adams is beginning his second year at South Point where he is an assistant coach in football, junior varsity basketball coach and boy's track coach. His 1977 Raider track team captured the Gaston County Track Meet and the Southwest Conference championship.

After only one year at South Point, Adams has developed a deep pride in the overall program of the school.

Adams and his wife, Vicki, and five-year old son Jason live in Gastonia.

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5	Graylyn Faulkenberry	DB	165	4
10	Randy Richards	QB	145	2
11	Fran Slavich	SE	135	3
12	Larry Tribble	QB	145	2
14	Jeff Williams	QB	160	3
20	Rodney Friday	HB	165	4
21	Robbie Suggs	HB	165	4
22	June Jones	HB	155	2
23	Chip Gibson	HB	160	3
24	Joe Moody	HB	150	3
25	Gary Peche	FB	160	2
30	Vaughn Trammell	DG	160	2
31	Shannon Gaines	FB	165	2
32	Fernandez Grier	FB	215	4
33	Tim Rector	DB	160	3
40	Boone Davis	DB	150	2
41	Perry Fewell	FB	180	3
43	Todd Armstrong	E & HB	155	3
44	William Reid	HB	155	3
50	Eddie Lineberger	С	170	3
51	David Cobb	С	165	3
52	Greg Mason	С	180	4
53	Chris Gibson	С&Т	220	4
60	John Karr	G	160	2
61	Ron Grier	G	160	2
62	David Spence	G	190	3
63	Anthony Leeper	G	165	2

64	Jeff Isenhour	G	195	4
65	Bruce Buckner	G	185	3
66	Jeff Hoyle	G	195	3
68	Jimmy Saunders	G	195	4
70	Richie Price	Т	210	3
71	Mike Dixon	Т	200	2
72	Troy Leeper	Т	235	4
73	Darryl Russell	Т	220	4
74	Jamey Boiter	Т	200	4
75	David McKinney	Т	200	3
77	William Grant	Т	250	2
80	Tim Payne	\mathbf{E}	140	2
81	Rudy Stowe	E	200	4
82	Barry Means	E	170	3
83	Terry Sutton	E	170	3
84	Mark Mixon	E	150	2
85	Kyle Miller	E	160	2
86	John Fitch	E	215	4

COACHES: Jim Biggerstaff, Earl Lingafeldt, Phil Tate, Butch Adams.

MANAGERS: Rocky Owenby, Richard Bain, Jerry Miller.

1978 East Gaston Warriors

NO.	PLAYER

POS. WT. CLASS

26	Mike Schronce	QB	155	3	
6	Doug Bynum	QB	165	4	
8	Chuck McGee	QB	160	2	
7	Derek Spears	QB	150	2	
46	Kelly Cornwell	QB	165	3	
32	James McDowell	FB	185	4	
21	Edward McCorkle	HB	170	4	
84	Wendall Hall	F	180	3	
34	Brian Wilson	FB	175	3	
36	Jason Morris	FB	205	4	
22	Richard Dill	HB	170	4	
30	Alan Lewis	HB	178	4	
75	Bill Pritchett	Т	210	4	
73	Mike Webb	Т	184	3	
54	Billy Joe Davis	С	195	4	
61	Keith Ottinger	G	140	4	
62	Darren Smith	G	160	4	
64	Duke Duncan	G	170	3	
50	Preston Rozelle	С	185	4	
63	Scott Farmer	G	175	4	
74	Chip Anderson	Т	180	2	
60	Shawn Devinney	G	200	4	
21					

56	Rodney Patterson	С	165	4
65	Russell Randolph	G	170	4
66	Richard Wooten	G	185	4
68	Chris Guice	G	194	4
82	Vance Luckey	E	145	4
40	Jeff Baker		147	3
41	Larry Isley		125	3
83	Brad Thrower		140	4
28	Harold Underdown		168	4
86	Mike Pressley		205	3
20	Tracy Black		175	4
44	Randy Ferrell		168	4
80	Billy Coble		148	3
24	Mike Robbins		170	4
5	Scott Burrell		160	3
72	Doug Criswell		200	3

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Dr. Sam Shaver

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Dr. Sam Shaver, the South Point team physician, was, indeed, a star athlete in four different sports in his hometown of Gurden, Ark.

He has been the Big Red team physician "for the love of the sport" for 17 years. South Point is grateful for his many services. One of the most coveted trophies in football presented at each year's Big Red Boosters Club All-Sports banquet is the Dr. Sam Shaver Blocking Trophy.

Dr. Shaver makes the annual presentation himself, and with his wit, he is always a big hit during the brief time he is in front of the microphone.

A quarterback in high school, Dr. Shaver also played basketball, baseball and track and field. Whenever an athlete has problems with various ailments all players run into, Dr. Shaver is quick to diagnose the problem.

Dr. Shaver is a graduate of the University of Arkansas School of Medicine. He received his PHD at the University of Rochester, his BA at American International College, and his MA at the University of Rochester.

Dr. Shaver travels with the team for road games in addition to his sideline watchfulness of both the home and visiting team players at Lineberger Stadium, and seldom misses a game.

His work with the American Legion is legend, both on a local, state and national level.

The South Point High School community is thankful for the services rendered by Dr. Shaver.



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"Most Outstanding Blocker"

The Dr. Sam Shaver Blocking Trophy is presented each year to the best blocker on the South Point High School football team.

Dr. Shaver, who is also the team physician, initiated the award in 1964.

The following former Big Red football players are Blocking Trophy winners:

1964 -- Robert Gaston. 1965 -- Charles Orren.

- 1966 -- Wayne Barr.
- 1967 -- Gary England.
- 1968 -- Steve Horsley.

1969 -- Ronnie Jackson.

- 1970 -- Randy Walden.
- 1971 -- Danny Clawson.
- 1972 -- Jim Forbes.
- 1973 -- Roger Parker. 1974 -- Roger Parker.
- 1974 -- Roger Parker 1975 -- Eric Horsley.
- 1976 -- Rodney Phillips.
- 1977 -- Troy Leeper



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The Rev. Elvin Jones

Rev. Elvin W. Jones, pastor of the East Belmont Baptist Church, serves as the South Point High School team chaplain. He has served in this capacity for eight years. Rev. Jones has been the pastor at East Belmont Baptist

Church for 15 years. A former athlete himself, Rev. Jones enjoys all sports. He is married to former South Point High School English teacher Miriam Jones.

Rev. and Mrs. Jones have four daughters, Mimi, Cynthia, Martha and Elizabeth.

Rev. Jones is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Philadelphia.

Rev. Jones, who was instrumental in helping South Point's dreams of a beautiful new stadium come true, is a New York native. Rev. Jones played basketball in high school and one of his daughters, Cynthia, was an outstanding forward at old Belmont High School, where she made the All-Southwestern 3-A Conference team during her senior season.

Rev. Jones, whose Sunday night sermons can be heard on radio station WCGC in Belmont, is an eloquent man, and one who is deeply appreciated and respected by the South Point school community.

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Seth Kirby is in his third year as director of the South Point High School Red Raider Marching Band. Under Kirby's guidance they are beautiful to watch and listen to.

Kirby, a Mt. Holly native, began his band directing in 1961 at old Dallas High School. He was there for four years, went to Lincolnton High School for one year, then initiated the band program at Hunter Huss High School in Gastonia in '66. He came to SPHS in 1976.

Seth attended Mars Hill College for two years, then majored in instrumental music for three years at East Carolina University.

Seth and his wife, Brenda, now reside in Belmont. They have three children, 20-year-old Rick, ten-year-old Deana, who is in the fifth grade at Central Elementary, and eightyear-old Chris, who is in the third grade there.

The South Point High School Red Raider marching band you will be watching perform this year will consist of the following students:

Drum Major -- Tracy Kerley.

Jr. Drum Major -- Patricia Elrod.

Flutes -- Hanna KHakki, Jayne Perkins, June Scruggs, Lee Ann Scruggs, Susan Baucom, Jeff Sherril, Kim Simpson, Susan Caldwell, Angie Grier, Pat Elrod, Kim Wilson, Mark Hand, Tammie Caldwell, and Scottie Quick.

Clarinets -- Robin Hardee, Patti Love, Crystal Hunter, Debbie Herndon, Bob Mullinax, Darnell Ramsey, Celena Fleming, Terri Spiker, Teresa Clark, Brett Wery, Angie Parton, Annette Black, Jeanette Earle, Sharon McNeil, Michael Robinson, Joel Wise and Beth Flowers.

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Stephanie Sollito, Bob Delano, Letrisia Keaton, David Worick, Donnie Harris, Gordon Cobb, Glenn Mauney and Eric Wilson.

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STARTING AT N.C. STATE - Roger Parker, a former South Point scholar-athlete, played in the 1974 Shrine Bowl game in Charlotte and the 1975 East-West All-Star Game in Greensboro. Parker will be playing his junior season as a starting offensive guard for the North Carolina State Wolfpack. Parker is 6-2 and weighs 230 pounds. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. James Parker.

Shrine Bowl and East-West Game

Since Belmont High School and Cramerton High School consolidated to form South Point High School in 1969, several of the Red Raider stars have played in prestigious post-season games.

One of the highest honors a high school senior football player can attain is to be selected to play in the Shrine Bowl football game each December in Charlotte. It pits 35 of the finest North Carolina seniors against a similar group from South Carolina. The attraction benefits the crippled child, and for a player to be chosen to the team is truly a player's dream turned into reality. The East-West football game in Greensboro, played each July during the coaches clinic there, is also a prestigious honor. During the past eight years, South Point has been represented by the following in the Shrine Bowl game:

Scott Crawford
Jim Stowe
Roger Parker

EAST-WEST GAME.

Year	Name
1972	Scott Crawford
1974	Jim Stowe
1974	Dennis Grie
1975	Roger Parke



Dr. Wade H. Breeland Award "Most Outstanding Player"

The Dr. Wade H. Breeland Award is the most prestigious award a South Point High School football player can receive. It is the oldest award presented at each spring's Big Red Boosters Club South Point High School All-Sports Banquet. Dr. Breeland, who passed away on August 6 of this year, initiated the award in 1948. It goes each year to the most outstanding Red Raider football player.

Following is a complete list of the former Dr. Wade H. Breeland award winners:

- 1948 -- Harold L. Stowe. 1949 -- Carrol Beale. 1950 -- Yates Abernathy. 1951 -- Jerry Haney. 1952 -- Jim Biggerstaff. 1953 -- Jack Lineberger. 1954 -- Eddie Thrower. 1955 -- Doug Mauldin (Prep All-America Team) 1956 -- Roy "Buddy" Eller, Jr. 1957 -- J. B. Owens. 1958 -- Kermit Williams and David Wheeler (Co-Winners) 1959 -- Joe Buckner. 1960 -- Carey Anderson. 1961 -- Tony Allen. 1962 -- Ronnie Wilson. 1963 -- Ronnie Wilson (First Repeat Winner) 1964 -- Tony Mauldin. 1965 -- Tommy Tate. 1966 -- Marvin Adams. 1967 -- Marvin Adams. 1968 -- Jimmy Swayney. 1969 -- Burt Broadway. 1970 -- Scott Crawford. 1971 -- Scott Crawford (Prep All-America Team) 1972 -- Dennis Grier. 1973 -- Jimmy Stowe. 1974 -- Jerry Auten. 1975 -- Terry Boyles.
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