What: Third annual Mayor's Basketball Academy, tournament and workshops for girls and boys players When: Today through Saturday

Where: Coppin State College Schedule: Five games today starting at 2:30 p.m.; last at 8:30 p.m. Six games tomorrow starting at 1:30 p.m.; last at 9 p.m. Nine games Saturday starting at 9 a.m.; last at 9 p.m. Tickets: \$5 in advance, \$8 at door.

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Boys basketball

# Versatile Hatten leads Mervo

Standout, team face Anacostia in Academy

By Lem Satterfield

Marcus Hatten can do just about anything he wants to on the basketball court. He can be clutch, as he was

scoring 20 points in a 71-70 victory over Lake Clifton last season, se-curing the win after grabbing his eighth defensive rebound of the

Wilde Lake 80, Atholton 30

WILDE LAKE — Taliano 4. Hobart 6, Jackson 10, Witshirer 4, Hurley 4, Stone 4, Douglas 4, Harrison 4, Her-ring 23, Jenfer 6. Totals 35 8-12 80. ATMENTON — McKenna 5, Caffrey 7, Costa 1, Lee 4, Znalabedin 2, Barthal-omew 6, Brooming 5. Totals 11 5-12 30, Maft. WL 45-15.

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ight with two seconds left and iribbling out of harm's way. Or he can be acrobatic, as he

was in converting a crowd-pleas-ing dunk off an alley-oop pass in last season's Class 4A state semifinal loss to Oxon Hill

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"The key is for us to be in the game as a team, together, and if they need a lift, then I feel I can provide that lift," said Hatten, a 6-foot-2, 160-pound senior guard. "I like to try to take over a game and take the other team out of it early but at the same time get my team

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St. Mary's at John Carrol, 3-45
Mercy at NO, 4
Paria at Severn, 4
Spalling at Mount de Salve, 4
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St. Frances at St. John Shirt, 9-14
York Country Day at Odfields, 5
Herdage at Garrol Channels, 3-30
Severna Paris at Southern AA, 5-30
Broadneck at Annapolis, 5-30
Chesaceage And at Northeast, 5-30

d County meet at 5th Regiment

Listed in Street and Smith's as a preseason All-Baltimore selec-tion, Hatten is an honor roll stu-dent and a returning All-Metro pick by The Sun. Coach Woody Williams lists Xa-

coach Woody Williams lists Xa-vier (La.) University, Xavier of Ohio, Tennessee State, Florida A&M, Stanford and Loyola among a long list of colleges after his star. "In my opinion, he can play at

any level, any-where," said

Williams, The

of the country's top progra

At 3 p.m. tomorrow, Hatten will lead No. 7-ranked Mervo (7-2) against Anacostia, last season's Washington runner-up to national power DeMatha. The game is one power DeMatha. The game is one of two the Mustangs will play in the three-day, third annual Mayor's Basketball Academy tournament at Coppin State.
Hatten, 18. earned most valuable player honors last season, when the Mustangs upset then-No. 2 Randallstown and defeated

No. 2 Randallstown and defeated then-defending Class 4A state champ Southwestern.

"We thought coming in we hadn't gotten a lot of respect, but we proved we belonged with the top teams," said Hatten, who had 27 points against Randallstown, and against Southwestern had 16, grabbed 12 rebounds, had 10 assists and six steals.

Overall last season, Hatten av-

Overall last season, Hatten av eraged 22.6 points, 12.2 rebounds and 9.4 assists alongside team-mate Damien Jenifer, whose feats got him a scholarship to Loyola. Hatten and Jenifer were per-haps the area's most dynamic

backcourt. That duo and 6-6 inside player

Hugh Brown, now at Allegany Community College, helped the Mustangs overcome Lake Clifton, Southern and Patterson for their

Southern and ratersoin or their first Class 4A North region grown.

But seven players graduated from a squad that went 20-5 and was ranked No. 2 in the area.

"You take away Jenifer and a couple of the other players we had last year, and Marcus has had to assume a netty befty burden." assume a pretty hefty burden. assume a pretty netty burden, said Williams, who classified last year's squad as "blue-collar work-ers in a league of Armani sints." " Williams said Haven, who amassed 206 steals last season, still exemplifies that blue-collar week ethic."

Hatten persevered in a 83-54 loss to No. 2 Dunbar, with a 33-point effort. He penetrated often and was fouled often.

and was fouled often.
"My free-throw shooting could
have been better," said Hatten,
who went 14-for-21 from the line.
"Defensively, I saw a 1-3-1, halfcourt, double-teams — mainly
outside stuff. It was a good indicator, because after that game, we were better prepared to practice against what we expect teams to do against us."

Hatten recalled his teammates winning a tightly contested game against Southwestern last week after he had fouled out with two minutes remaining. He credited teammates Kevin Taylor, a for-ward, and point guards Xavier Jackson and Donald Thomas "for taking some of the pressure off

"You can't go out there and try to be the team by yourself," Hat-ten said. "You need the other guys to win."

# Top-ranked McDonogh outlasts Seton Keough

Eyes up: McDonogh's Aisha Mason thinks about a shot against Seton Keough's Sarah Walsh (right) during first-half action.

Eagles sweep 3 best rivals with their 34th win in row

Top-ranked McDonogh finished an exhausting run past its three highest ranked opponents with a 49-41 victory over No. 3 Sg-ton Keough yesterday.

In the last nine days, all the Eagles have done is polish off No. 4 Roland Park, 50-32, on Jan. 5, No. 2 St. Mary's, 62-54, on Monday, and now the Gators. Any could have spatched away the top spot In. snatched away the top spot. In-stead, the Eagles (16-0) secured their spot as the state's No. 1

ing, whose team also threw in a ing. whose team also threw in a 64-57 win over Bryn Mawr Saturday. "It's been a killer stretch for us. I am absolutely happy to be through with that stretch."

The victory ran the Eagles' winning streak to 34 games dating back to mid-December 1997. The left Bullimore team to best the

seconds. Norton, who scored 11. raced ahead for a layup off Katie Nelson's half-court inbound pass

and I just went long."

Early, the Gators set the pace for a low-scoring game that favored the upset with an intense man-to-man defense and a patient offense that milked the 30-second set clock. Although McDatasan shot clock. Although McD-jumped out to an 8-0 lead, the Ga tors quickly recovered and held a slight edge most of the second

quarter.
The Eagles, who often shoot 50 to 60 percent, shot just 28 percent om the field in the first half and

atoms the held in the first nam and a 5 percent for the game. The Gators shot 16.fewer times but made 44 percent of their attempts.

Vicki Brick, the 1997-98 All-Metro Player of the Year who led the Eagles with 21 points, said her team was not patient on offense

team was not patient on offense.
"In our motion offense, they
were sagging in the middle and
switching on the picks," said
Brick. "It was hard for us to get
open shots, because they knew
where we were cutting to. We
weren't reading the defense that
well in the first half."

At the beginning of the fourth

well in the first half."
At the beginning of the fourth quarter, the Eagles' lead was only four points, 30-26, but they extended it with a 13-5 run.
Aisha Mason's 18-footer gave McDonogh a 43-31 lead with 2-48 to go, but the Gators' weren't through. Sarah Walsh took over inside specing on 5 feed from Den. inside, scoring on a feed from Den-ise King, a free throw, and one of her three offensive rebounds — all within 30 seconds — to bring the Gators within 43-38.

During that stretch, the Eagles lost 6-2 center Greichaly Cepero lost 6-2 center Greichaly Cepero, who fin-with her fifth foul. Cepero, who fin-ished with 10 points, 11 rebounds and two assists, had been domi-nant inside in the second half. Still, the Eagles began to pull away as Brick and Mason com-bined for four feet heaves and No.

bined for four free throws and Nel-

bined for four free throws and Nel-son and Norton combined for the key long-distance pass. The Gators tried five three-pointers in the final minute but hit only one — Meaghan Allan's only field goal of the night — to pull within 48-41 with 17 seconds left.

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All-Metro guard King led the
Gators with 11 points.

It didn't help the Gators to
have to play without 5-10 forward
Laura Stromberg, who will have
X-rays today to determine whether a previous foot injury is a sprain

## High schools

### Boys basketball

C.M. Wright 53, Edgewood 51

Catonsville 58, Lansdowne 53

LAKEDOWNE — Gibson, 14, Loney 11, Sammons 7, Hurt 6, Jeffers 2, Hugel 13, Totals 21 to 20 53. CATOKSYNLE — Roblin 3, Heldmann 5, Yachera 6, Remesch 10, Adams 14, Augustono 9, Haynle 8, Totals 19 18 27 58, Malfr C 25-19.

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ulaney 38, Owings Mills 22

Totals 16 5-7 38.
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dgewood 53, Perryville 43 RETYPILLE — Foster 10, Mess 5 mstrong 1, Gibson 5, Jensen 7 ray 13, Barkert 1, Totals 16 6 17 43, 024mob — Perrish 2, Brodenick 17 Campbell 2, D.Campbell 10, Hender

anklin 73, Loch Raven 54

Anderson 14, Bivens 7,
 Douglas 18, Davis 11,
 Tampe 2, Adams 1, Totals 29

13-21 75. BOCH BAYEN — MacCumbee 17, Re-kord 3, B. Jones 2, Hunt 7, Williams 2, K. Jones 2, Lambert 2, Zumbrun 2, Douglass 5, Baer 12, Totals 19 11-22 54, Bailt: F 57-27.

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GISBORS — Gardner 4. Grace 3. Hop-kins 12. McGrinder 19. D.Neus 6. Totals 14. 12-15 44. IMMAR — Boland 8. Far-toodland 11. Con-ches.

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nd 66, Long Reach 65, 0T

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Towson Catholic 87, Curley 55 CURLEY — Salamone 2, Chaik 2, Pear-son 6, Francis 6, Hall 7, Moneymaker 2, J.Auffarth 4, McKoy 10, Price 9, G.Auffarth 7, Totals 25 4 8 55. Naff: 1C 43-27.

stern Tech 58, Hereford 35

WESTERN TECH — Brooks 2, Goodwin 4, M.Romero 11, Linten 10, J.Williams 17, Weldon 3, Oleszczuk 4, Allen 7. Totals 24 8-11 58. HEEFFRD — Zell 2, Davies 3, Goad 5, Gilbert 21, Stuller 4, Totals 14 6-10

Wilde Lake 59, Atholton 52

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56. WOODLAWN — Goins 5, Holley 2, Gaines 11, Coates 3, Allen 14, Robinson 19, Gbengbe 8, Fuller 2, Adams 2, Totals 21 24 40 66, Malft W 29-21.

#### Girls basketball

Catonsville 80. Lansdowne 51 LANSDOWNE — Albaugh 7. Courins 4, Robey 2, Johns 11, Leshear 5, Grimes 15, Yannuza 7, Todas 17 142 15. CATMSYNLE — Schmoeller 12, Mac-teed 10, Blaste 11, Lowman 2, Packa 5, Packer 13, Lentz 6, Starsoneck 5, Leggett 7, Denton 8, Totals 28 18:32 80. Mark C 40:19.

Centennial 43, River Hill 27

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\$ MILLS — Emery 6, Sherman 5, 2, Caplan, Christian 9, Totals 10 3-6-23.

DOLLMEY — Salamon 9, Sneeringer 4, Cook 4, Nesbit 7, Kilgilen 13, Seler 6, Fitzsimmons 10, Anderson 8, Curran 10, Totals 32-6-38-71, Mail: D-38-14.

ndalk 71, Overlea 24

OVERLEA — A.Johnson 13, Johnson 3, Gilyard 3, Lunn 2, Johns 3. Totals 9 6.35 24 6-35-24.

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Oster 10, Brooks 2, Pearsal 8, Mathias 2, Romich 4, Du6ose 4, Totals 14

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rwood 47, Sparrows Point 24 PARROWS POINT — Berger 2, Stevens , Kraemer 10, Evans 3, Hoffner 3, otals 10 4-9 24.

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Mercy 56, John Carroll 30

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15—Justice (M) p. Hanke, 5.03; 15—Justice (M) p. Houchers, 2:10; 0—Philips (5) p. Carrison, 2:10; 0—Philips (5) p. Carrison, 2:10; 15—Felich (M) f.; 140—Vance (M) f.; 15—Philips (6) p. Carrison, 1:45; 150—Buchanan (5) p. Collab., 37; 169—Buchanan (5) p. Collab., 37; 169—Buc

Schedule

Girls basketball

By KATHERINE DUNN .

Top-ranked McDonogh fin

"The kids love coming out and playing these games every day," said McDonogh coach Katie Keati

back to mid-December 1997. The last Ballimore team to beat the Eagles? The Gators, 54-45, in McDonogh's gym on Dec. 13, 1996. Yesterday, the Gators (11-3) had the upset in sight until Eagles guard Jazmine Norton put the game out of reach in the final 30

"We saw they were going to full-court press us," said Norton. "I looked at Katie, she looked at me.

## Girls basketball

# Mercy suffocates cold John Carroll, 56-30

Magic soars as Pats score

ferent. The Magic blew the game open by outscoring the Patriots and forcing them into difficult shots. When the Patriots got

## Sun's Balti-more City-County Coach of the Year of the Year last season. "It would be just a matter of assimilating himself. Otherwise, he could step in and contribute right away at any of the country's ton programs." Chapelgate at Arlington Baptist, 4 Harford Tech at West Nottlegham, 4 S. Ilmothy's at Gleneig Country, 4 Severn at C. Mitton Wright, 4x5 Joppatowne at Havre de Grace, 4x5 Maryvale at Tewson Catholic, 5:15 Notre Dame Prep at McDonogh, 5:30 Falston at North Harford, 6x45 North Carroll at Urbana, 7 ani 4, Budd 2, Fisher 15, Edmonds 2, Baran 4, Evans 2, Totals 13 10-15 41, Math. PH 24-17. Towson 65, Patapsco 12

sifer 8, Suter 4, Merson 6, Stambaugh 4, Totals 17 0-4 35, Half: M 25-10.

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Weatherspoon 2. Jean 4 Thompson 11. Coursey 6. Clarke 6. Wilson 2. Totals 12 7:14 31. Half: MH

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35. Half: P. 31-17

PHESVILLE .- Watson 7, Sorgho 18, Taylor 2, Bakaeu 10, Cloud 14, Glass CARVER AAT - Acere 5 Sherrill Gacon 2 Bradford 2 Beynolds Morris 2, Anderson 12, Totals 15 4-10

#### MERCY — Pyzik 6, Vogtman 18, McKay 2, Love 4, Carroll 2, Courter 7, Schuyler 17. Totals 20 13-15 56. Walf: M

Mount Hebron 64, Howard 30

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#### Boys baskethall Baltimore City Mayor's Academy Tournament at Coppin State - Miford Mil Poly. 4. finals

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**Girls** basketball **Baltimore City Mayor's Academy Tour**nament at Coppin State - Dunbar vs. Kensington 2:30: Milford Mill us. Henrico (Va.), 5:30: Western vs. St. John's

Garrison Forest at Lutheran, 3:45

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Gary Trett Tournament at Fallston 2 points in 2nd quarter Fastern Tech Catonsville Fallston Joppatowne, Bowling Brook, Loyola, South River Tournament -

Northeast, Owings Mills, Southern

North Haderstown Tournament - 18:

Aberdeen, Harford Tech at C. Milton

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erty Westminster 4

Lovola at Boys' Latin, 4

North County at Old Mill. 5

Bei Air at Havre de Grace

Wright, 3:30

By JEFF SEIDEL SPECIAL TO THE SUN

John Carroll's shooting problems continued vesterday.

No. 6-ranked Mercy's defense suffocated the Patriots, allowing two field goals in one 14-minute stretch, and John Carroll scored only two points in the second quarter.

In fact, the Magic shut down the Patriots' offense throughout the Catholic League game, Jamie Vogtman scored 18 points, and Kaitie Schuyler added 17 as Mercy routed No. 13 John Carroll, 56-30.

Mercy (13-4 overall, 4-0 league) beat John Carroll (6-7, 3-3) by only three when the two teams last met, but this time was much dif-

19-2 in the second quarter en good shots, they missed. route to a 37-14 halftime lead.

Vogtman and Schuvler both scored 12 points apiece in a first half that Mercy dominated. The Magic limited the Patriots to just one second-quarter basket.

Mercy scored the first 16 points of the quarter and blanked John Carroll until Megan Sparks' putback with just 2:02 left in the half. The Patriots then scored just one basket over the next eight minutes as Mercy rolled.

"We played good 'help' defense," said Vogtman, who also had 13 rebounds. "We stopped them from penetrating. They're quick, and they like to fast break a lot, but we were able to stop

Mercy repeatedly cut off John Carroll players as they tried to drive, often double-teaming the

"Our shots just haven't been dropping," said John Carroll

coach Kathleen Shannon "They shoot extremely well, and even when we had a hand in their faces they still made the shots." Schuyler ran Mercy's offense well, especially when the Magic

spread the floor. Mercy seemed always to find the open player and get a good shot. "She controlled the tempo for

us," said Mercy coach Mary Ella Marion.

Ashlee Courter scored seven points and pulled down five rebounds. Heather Ables and Elaine Carroll of Mercy combined to do a nice job filling in for Becky Wilson out with a sprained ankle. Darby Burke led John Carroll with nine

points, and Sparks scored eight