

SPORTS

HIGH SCHOOL PLAYER SPOTLIGHT

SEAN LONG AND CHANCELLOR DAVIS: THE DESERT SHIELD'S DYNAMIC DUO

By Bill Lee

It is not that often that a Nevada High School athlete from the Southern Conference is mentioned in a national sports periodical, like Street and Smith's. However in the past several years, names such as: Tarkanian, Banks, Penix, Anthony and Reed have seemed to start a trend. The list grows on as the addition of four players were named as honorable mention All-American in the 1992-93 Street and Smiths Basketball Preview.

We will feature the local standouts in upcoming issues of the Sentinel, and we start with two players hailing from the same school.

Sean Long and Chancellor Davis, from Cheyenne High School, have combined to create a deadly combination for the Desert Shield. The two year old expansion school arguably boasts the top school in the Sunset Division. Traditional powerhouses Clark and Western are currently viewing the Desert Shield from second place, both teams being 5-1. Cheyenne, 6-0, is at pace with Gorman which is 7-0.



#32 Sean Long



#21 Chancellor Davis

Long and Davis have proved that their team is a definite contender, and they both spoke with the Sentinel in an interview earlier this week.

When asked how it felt to be named as an honorable All-American, Sean said it felt "real good." He went on to say that he has always checked such magazines to see if any of his friends or cousins had made it. When he actually saw his name listed, he expressed how much of a thrill it was. Long added that there is no pressure from the

honor. Davis echoed Long's sentiments with an added sense of accomplishment since Vegas has not been completely recognized, on the national level, for the caliber of hoopsters throughout the Southern Conference. The pair were teammates at Chaparral before the school district added more schools to the city two years ago as the process continues. As they made their move to Cheyenne, the duo led the Desert Shield to an impressive debut season record of 15-9. Cheyenne advanced to the playoffs only to fall

to the eventual zone champions, Rancho, in the first round.

Presently, there are several schools looking to recruit the skills of both Long and Davis. Long has been contacted by Washington, St. Mary's-California and UNLV's sister school, Nevada-Reno.

"My cousin played (at Reno) and had a successful career there," explains Long.

SMU, St. Mary's-California, Pacific and Wyoming are the schools Davis remains undecided about.

When asked if either of them would consider attending a predominantly African-American University, both exclaimed, "Yes!"

Grambling and Southern were an identical pair of favorites for both players. Exclusive coverage on BET Television, is what caught their eyes to the two schools.

Both Long and Davis have more to offer than basketball though; Long currently maintains a 3.3 GPA, while Davis has an astounding 3.8 GPA.

Just as in every other category, both players are interested in Electrical Engineering.

A final word of advice to their peers they leave behind, in the valley, went like this: Long-"Work hard, maintain the good grades and most definitely, stay focused!"

Davis-"Stay out of the streets, remain focused with sports and education. Whatever is positive, give it your best."

Two of Vegas' finest and two of the nation's best: The Cheyenne Desert Shield's All-Americans - Chancellor Davis and Sean Long.

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SCOREBOARD

CURRENT STANDINGS

SUNRISE DIVISION		SUNSET DIVISION	
ELDORADO	3-3	BISH. GORMAN	7-0
RANCHO	2-4	CHEYENNE	6-0
BASIC	1-5	CIM.-MEMORIAL	6-0
CHAPARRAL	1-5	CLARK	5-1
GREEN VALLEY	1-5	WESTERN	5-1
VALLEY	1-7	BONANZA	3-4
VO-TECH	0-5	LAS VEGAS	1-4

TUESDAY'S RESULTS

Eldorado 68 Clark 62
Bishop Gorman 70 Rancho 65
Western 89 Valley 84
Cheyenne 73 Green Valley 51
Cimarron-Memorial 58 Basic 50
Chaparral 52 Las Vegas 46
Bonanza 77 Vo-Tech 56

THE FINALISTS ARE IN

VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE UNLV 1992 AFRICAN-AMERICAN ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

MEN	WOMEN
<input type="checkbox"/> -Henry Bailey - football	<input type="checkbox"/> -Teresa Jackson- basketball
<input type="checkbox"/> -Danny Barber - soccer	<input type="checkbox"/> -Sharon Hargrove- basketball
<input type="checkbox"/> -Evrice Gray - basketball	<input type="checkbox"/> -Shunta Rose - track & field
<input type="checkbox"/> -Shannon McLean - football	<input type="checkbox"/> -Trevia Williams - track & field
<input type="checkbox"/> -J.R. Rider - basketball	<input type="checkbox"/> -Crystal Irving - track & field

These ten outstanding athletes for UNLV have been named as finalists for UNLV's African-American Athlete Of The Year for 1992. Please fill out your ballot and drop off or mail to: Athlete Of The Year, 1201 S. Eastern, L.V. Nev. 89104.

Winners will be announced January 14, 1993

Willie **BEST BETS**

GREEN BAY -7 over LA Rams
MIAMI -10 over N.Y. Jets

UPSET SPECIALS

Washington +3 over PHILADELPHIA
Chicago +2-1/2 over DETROIT
CLEVELAND +2 over Houston

CURRENT RECORD (40-30-3)
57% Winners

18-13 Best Bets — 22-17-3 Upset Specials

LAST WEEK: Well San Diego continued their winning ways by covering once again over the hapless Bengals. The Bears came together and captured Mike Singletary's final home game over the Steelers. Dallas should have won the game outright but fumbled in their own end zone. As for my two L.A. picks - *Yeh right!!!*

THIS WEEK: Green Bay and Miami both have playoffs to strive for and they will be pumped for these games. Although the 'Skins won last week on a fluke play, their defense seem to be in tact and will be ready for Randall and Co. Sure Chicago is hapless, and sure they came through for Singletary, but Detroit is terrible. Take the Browns in the dog pound.

Good luck and don't let the "dogs" bite you.

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