

#48 166 May 20 Chowan Picks Top Athletes; Joe (Boy) Willis wins "Most Valuable Player" for Baseball and Lonnie Thigpen Won for Basketball.

Top Chowan Athletes Honored At Banquet

MURFREESBORO - Six outstanding athletes were awarded trophies at Chowan College for being named "Most Valuable Player" in this year's sports

competition during the recent athletic awards banquet.

"Most Valuable Player" award in tennis was presented to Robert Vick of Franklin, Va.; in golf, it went to Ben Rizzo of Jacksonville; in track and field events, Richard Conway of Fredericksburg, Va.; in basketball, Lonnie Thigpen of Beulaville; in baseball, Joe Willis of Harkers Island; in football, Wayne Daughtride of Rocky Mount. Ross Cadle, who retires after this year as director of admissions at Chowan, in his keynote address challenged these athletes to make Chowan and the world great. The keynote address was entitled "Wake Up and Dream."

Daughtride, fullback who played both offense and defense for the Braves, recorded the longest run of the gridiron season when he dashed 95 yards from scrimmage for a touchdown against Potomac State's Catamounts. Thigpen, leading rebounder who played basketball without a replacement to relieve him during game activity, was called by the Chowan cage mentor, "The Most Improved Brave." Willis directed defending Cavalier-Tar Heel Conference diamondmen from the rugged catcher's position. Conway, all - conference selection for

pass-snatching ability at the end post, did all jumping events for the Braves in track and field events.

