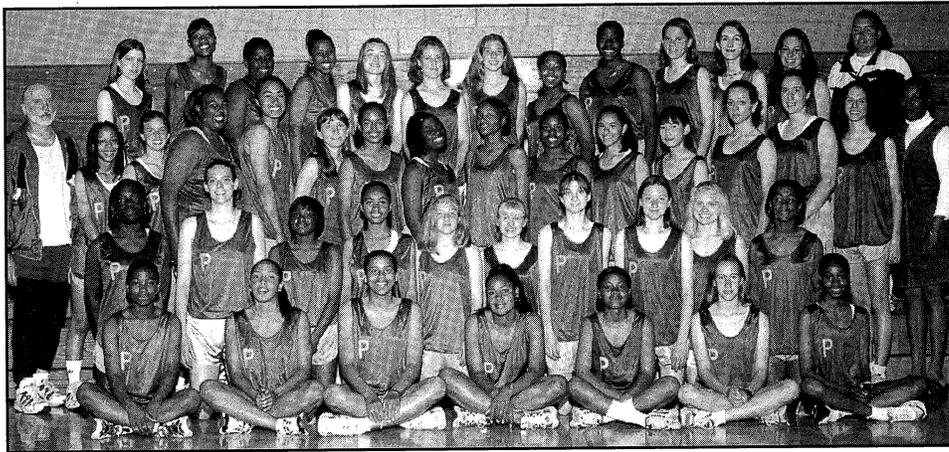


ANN ARBOR PIONEER 1997 CLASS A CHAMPIONS



FIRST ROW: L to R — Dionna Kinlaw, Becky Nussbaum, Robyn Woolfolk, Kendal Willis, Nina Kennedy, Karen Belzowski, Yolanda Doster. **SECOND ROW:** Ayesha George, Julie Epton, Nyota Pieh, Amber Culp, Leah Cressman, Catherine Ellingson, Alexis Evans, Sarah Uhler, Ann Marie Ellingson, Joneigh Slaughter. **THIRD ROW:** Head Coach Bryan Westfield, Eric Burch, Stacy Spencer, Kaila Story, Ryan Johnson, Erin Leonard, Merilee Mosely, Kristin Harris, Tiffany Hall, Cynthia Martin, Alison Copes, Vanessa Lam, Valarie Krasnoff, Gretchen Gindorff, Anna Boonin, Assistant Coach Victoria Shields. **FOURTH ROW:** Sarah Gibson, Nika Whitehead, Khyla Crane, LaShonda Harris, Anne Richtmyer, Barbara Patrick, Claudia Sell, April Hicks, Stacey Fulgham, Heather Bowbeer, Lily Adler, Emily Magner, Assistant Coach Crystal Westfield. **MISSING:** Adria LaSavage.

Class A Track Finals Held at Rockford High School May 31, 1997

SHOT PUT			
Place	Name	School	Distance
1	Melissa Brousseau	Alpena	44-9.75
2	Michelle Fowler	Romeo	44-2.75
3	Holly Sizemore	Lincoln Park	41-8.75
4	Tianna Kirkland	Flint Kearsley	41-3.25
5	Mese Roberts	Holt	40-2
6	Nicole Brown	Benton Harbor	39-10
7	Tracey Yiirs	Grand Ledge	39-3.75
8	Stephanie Schaffer	Port Huron North	38-0

HIGH JUMP			
Place	Name	School	Height
1	Maia Knox	Ypsilanti	5-7
2	Deanna Nolan	Flint Northern	5-6
3	Ayesha George	Ann Arbor Pioneer	5-6
4	Suzy Bozin	Romeo	5-6
5	Taryn Price	Birmingham Seaholm	5-4
6T	Sarah Post	Bay City Western	5-4
	Lisa Schultz	Sterling Heights	5-4
8T	Amanda Verkaik	Hudsonville	5-4
	Irene Ioannou	Ann Arbor Huron	5-4

LONG JUMP			
Place	Name	School	Distance
1	Charnita Allen	Portage Central	17-11.75
2	Christina Peterson	Midland Dow	17-8
3	Nkechi Okwuwabua	Plymouth Canton	17-5.75
4	Nicolette Garret	Westland John Glenn	17-4.25
5	Angela Curry	Lansing Eastern	17-3.25
6	Joneigh Slaughter	Ann Arbor Pioneer	17-2
7	Tanisha Williams	Ypsilanti	17-1.25
8	Katy Jongward	Portage Northern	16-9

DISCUS			
Place	Name	School	Distance
1	Mese Roberts	Holt	139-4
2	Karen Chastain	Lake Orion	137-0
3	Emily Sowers	Grand Rapids Christian	135-5
4	Melissa Brousseau	Alpena	130-1
5	Melissa Gratz	North Farmington	128-5
6	Tianna Kirkland	Flint Kearsley	127-5
7	Erin Massengale	Pinckney	121-7
8	Stephanie Harden	Walled Lake	118-11

Girls Lower Peninsula Track

Ann Arbor Pioneer Dominates Meet

Ann Arbor Pioneer's girls put on a stunning show in winning their second straight MHSAA Lower Peninsula title. The Pioneers had 87 points. Detroit Cass Tech was second with 54 and Ypsilanti third with 30.

"What we did individually didn't matter as much as what we did here as a team," said Pioneer's Ayesha George, who won the 100 hurdles, led off the winning 400 relay (48.47) and was third in the high jump (5-6). "We're very close."

How dominant was Pioneer? George, Kendal Willis and Robin Woolfolk all broke last year's state record time of 14.2 in the 100 hurdles. George ran 13.89, Willis 14.05 and Woolfolk 14.13.

Cass Tech's Kanisha Williams and Tiarra Jones went 1-2 in the 100 (11.90 and 12.18). The Technicians also won the 800 relay (Williams, Tracy Ball, Julia Ford, Me'shia Moton) in 1:39, and the 1,600 (Williams, Ford, Ball, Katie Chapman) in 3:53.

Maia Knox of Ypsilanti won the girls' high jump, leaping 5-7. Lashaunta Blander of Pontiac Northern won the 300 hurdles (42.81).

Sharon VanTuyll of Portage Northern, only a junior, won her eighth and ninth MHSAA championships (counting cross country and track), winning both the 1,600 (4:57) and 3,200 (10:31).

*By Ted Kulfan
The Detroit News*

Team Scores		
Place	School	Score
1	Ann Arbor Pioneer	87
2	Detroit Cass Tech	54
3	Ypsilanti	30
4	Southfield	26
5	Midland Dow	22
	Lansing Sexton	22
7	Portage Northern	21
8	Holland West Ottawa	19
9	Battle Creek Central	18
	Detroit Martin Luther King	18

1997 Track and Field Final Results—Girls L.P. (Continued)

Class A

3,200-METER RELAY		
Place	School—(Competitors)	Time
1	Traverse City (Sara Debruyn, Rachel Sturtz, Heather Willson, Heather Rhoad)	9:21 .91
2	Holland West Ottawa	9:22 .35
3	Ann Arbor Pioneer	9:24 .58
4	Livonia Stevenson	9:29 .39
5	Plymouth Salem	9:31 .60
6	Portage Central	9:35 .27
7	Novi	9:39 .99
8	Rockford	9:40 .30

100-METER HURDLES			
Place	Name	School	Time
1	Ayesha George	Ann Arbor Pioneer	13 .89*
2	Kendal Willis	Ann Arbor Pioneer	14.05
3	Robin Woolfolk	Ann Arbor Pioneer	14.13
4	Robin Landfair	Okemos	14.50
5	Tanisha Williams	Ypsilanti	14.52
6	Breanne Tenclay	Grandville	15.06
7	Lisa Cowdrey	Pinckney	15.17
8	Abbie Lynch	Grand Rapids Christian	15.20

100-METER DASH			
Place	Name	School	Time
1	Kanisha Williams	Detroit Cass Tech	11 .90
2	Tiarra Jones	Detroit Cass Tech	12.18
3	Christina Peterson	Midland Dow	12.25
4	Laquesha Wiley	Southfield	12.41
5	Korinth Patterson	Ypsilanti	12.47
6	Karen Bennett	Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central	12.53
7	M'myia Mcquirter	Grand Rapids Ottawa Hills	12.54
8	Nyota Pieh	Ann Arbor Pioneer	12.69

800-METER RELAY		
Place	School—(Competitors)	Time
1	Detroit Cass Tech (Kanisha Williams, Tracy Ball, Julia Ford, Meshia Moton)	1:39.22
2	Detroit Martin Luther King	1:42.17
3	Ann Arbor Pioneer	1:42.61
4	Southfield	1:43.38
5	Flint Central	1:44.10
6	Battle Creek Central	1:44.94
7	Lansing Sexton	1:45.23
8	Grand Rapids Ottawa Hills	1:45.76

1,600-METER RUN			
Place	Name	School	Time
1	Sharon VanTuyl	Portage Northern	4:57.82
2	Sharon Dickie	Grand Blanc	5:07.46
3	Katie Ryan	Rochester Adams	5:08.05
4	Patty Langworthy	Holland West Ottawa	5:10.67
5	Kelly Travis	Livonia Stevenson	5:11.59
6	Sara Debruyn	Traverse City	5:13.63
7	Kelly McMeilance	Livonia Stevenson	5:14.03
8	Kim Belsley	South Lyon	5:15.41

400-METER RELAY		
Place	School—(Competitors)	Time
1	Ann Arbor Pioneer (Ayesha George, Joneigh Slaughter, Robin Woolfolk, Nyota Pie)	48.47
2	Southfield	48.93
3	Flint Central	49.18
4	Ypsilanti	49.35
5	Grand Rapids Ottawa Hills	49.59
6	Flint Northern	49.89
7	Portage Central	49.99
8	Flint Southwestern Academy	50.16

400-METER DASH			
Place	Name	School	Time
1	Michelle Davis	Lansing Sexton	55.62
2	Julia Ford	Detroit Cass Tech	57.65
3	Melanee Williams	Detroit Martin Luther King	58.28
4	Lisa Wolbrink	Pinckney	58.41
5	Sara Veltkamp	Grand Rapids Christian	58.92
6	Najah Howard	Detroit Northern	58.95
7T	Sharon Brzyz	South Lyon	59.17
	Mia Malloy	Flint Central	59.17

300-METER LOW HURDLES			
Place	Name	School	Time
1	Lashaunta Blander	Pontiac Northern	42.81
2	Robin Woolfolk	Ann Arbor Pioneer	43.45
3	Kendal Willis	Ann Arbor Pioneer	43.82
4	Tanisha Williams	Ypsilanti	43.94
5	Macy Moore	Midland	44.29
6	Breanne Tenclay	Grandville	45.36
7	Helena Jach	Port Huron North	45.67
8	Joneigh Slaughter	Ann Arbor Pioneer	46.07

800-METER RUN			
Place	Name	School	Time
1	Erin White	Battle Creek Central	2:13.32
2	Katie Chapman	Detroit Cass Tech	2:15.04
3	Laura Hayden	Rochester Adams	2:16.50
4	Amanda Kulikowski	Dearborn Edsel Ford	2:17.05
5	Allison Turnbull	Greenville	2:17.38
6	Rachell Brown	Port Huron North	2:18.12
7	Katie Bonner	Canton Plymouth Salem	2:18.45
8	Vicky Sackett	Grand Ledge	2:18.99

200-METER DASH			
Place	Name	School	Time
1	Michelle Davis	Lansing Sexton	24.71
2	Christina Peterson	Midland Dow	25.13
3	Marjorie Hicks	Flint Northern	25.14
4	Lashaunta Blander	Pontiac Northern	25.38
5	Kiesha Spight	Detroit Martin Luther King	25.63
6	Natalia Celuch	Harper Woods Regina	25.70
7	Nyota Pieh	Ann Arbor Pioneer	25.98
8	Nichole Jarrett	Westland John Glenn	26.14

3,200-METER RUN			
Place	Name	School	Time
1	Sharon VanTuyl	Portage Northern	10:31.16
2	Erin Leonard	Ann Arbor Pioneer	11:10.33
3	Patty Langworthy	Holland West Ottawa	11:16.53
4	Andrea Rosema	Jenison	11:21.49
5	Shawn Kemp	Higland Milford	11:23.00
6	Cami Moll	Hudsonville	11:24.51
7	Kelly Travis	Livonia Stevenson	11:24.63
8	Molly Hobey	East Lansing	11:24.70

1,600-METER RELAY		
Place	School—(Competitors)	Time
1	Detroit Cass Tech (Kanisha Williams, Julia Ford, Tracy Ball, Katie Chapman)	3:53.33
2	Southfield	3:58.34
3	Ann Arbor Pioneer	4:00.33
4	Battle Creek Central	4:02.20
5	Sterling Heights	4:02.95
6	Pinckney	4:03.80
7	Flint Central	4:04.80
8	Traverse City	4:05.05

*All-class finals record