

Nashville will host signups

From Staff Reports

NASHVILLE -- The Nashville Parks and Recreation Department will be hosting spring registration for baseball and softball.

Registration will take place at the Town Hall of Nashville from Feb. 1-26 from 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Cost is \$15 for residents or \$25 for non-residents.

Ages are as follows:

Baseball

- T-Ball -- Ages 3-6
- Rookie -- Ages 7-8
- Minor -- 9-10
- Major -- 11-12

Softball

- Machine-Pitch -- Ages 7-9
- Machine Pitch -- Ages 10-12

For more information, contact the Nashville Recreation Department at (252) 459-9796.

NCHSAA: Sites are set for the North Carolina High School Athletic Association regional basketball finals slated for March 5.

In Fayetteville, games will be played at both the Crown Arena and Crown Coliseum. Fayetteville has been the host city for the Eastern Regionals' Finals since the 2010-11 season.

Unlike last year, when Winston Salem games were played in both the Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum (LJVM) and the Annex, only four games will be played in Winston Salem this year, all in LJVM.

The winners from the regional finals advance to state championship games in

Chapel Hill on March 12.

RIVALS: The Triangle's greatest rivalry heats up again, but this time on the big screen at Silverspot Cinema at University Place in Chapel Hill.

Silverspot and GreatestFan will celebrate the Chapel Hill premiere of **DUKE-CAROLINA: THE BLUE BLOOD RIVALRY** on February 16 starting at 6 p.m.

Fans are invited to walk the red carpet, mingle with other superfans and area legends from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. The film shows at 7:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.

After more than a century of ruthless competition, the feud between the Duke University Blue Devils and the University of North Carolina Tar Heels basketball teams is called the greatest rivalry in sports.

DUKE-CAROLINA: THE BLUE BLOOD RIVALRY will show February 15, 16 and 17.

Tickets for the film are \$14.50 for adults, \$11 for seniors and students and \$9 for children under 12.

Tickets for students with a valid ID are \$9 for the later showing.

For tickets and more information visit www.silverspot.net.

ECU BASEBALL: East Carolina University baseball

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single-game tickets are now available for purchase by Pirate fans.

The Pirates will open their 2016 home schedule on Feb. 19 against Longwood inside Lewis Field at Clark-LeClair Stadium with a 4 p.m. scheduled first pitch.

Regular priced single-game tickets throughout the season are \$7 for adults and \$4 for youth (12 and under).

Tickets for games in the 13th Annual Keith LeClair Classic (Mar. 4-6) and ECU's mid-week matchups against North Carolina (Mar. 15) and NC State (April 19) have been set at \$12 for adult and \$7 for youth.

Fans looking for mini-packages, ECU



has introduced three options starting at \$20:

- Pick 5 – pick of any five non-premium games for \$20
- AAC Package – all 12 AAC games (Houston, Connecticut, Cincinnati and USF series) for \$45
- Keith LeClair Classic Package – all games in the Classic (\$30 for adults, \$16 for youth)

Season tickets are still on sale with packages starting as low as \$120.

East Carolina University Pirate fans have four different options to choose from and can purchase their 2016 season tickets online.

ROCKET MILE: In only two years, the Nash Health Care Rocket Mile event has quickly become a favorite of local runners as well as elite runners from around the state.

Tar River Running Company (TRRC) has announced that this year's race will be held on May 1 at 2 p.m.

The event has been awarded both the USA Track and Field (USATF) State Championship and Road Runners Club of America (RRCA) North Carolina State 1 Mile Championship.

Last year the Rocket Mile became the largest competitive mile race in the state with over 360 registered participants.

"What makes our event unique is we split participants into four separate races" says Michael Forrester, owner of TRRC. "This means on race day, everyone can be both a runner and a fan at the same event. It is truly an electric atmosphere."

With the addition of the USATF State Championship designation, the Rocket Mile will have more local elite NC USATF athletes participate.

A total of \$550 in prize money is available for the men's and women's races.

The Rocket Mile is put on through a partnership with TRRC and the City of Rocky Mount Parks and Recreation department.

This partnership allows the race to invite participants into the Imperial Centre atrium to retrieve their race packets and provides indoor restrooms and extensive parking which has allowed the race to grow.

Being selected as a championship

event also means the Rocket Mile is part of the 2016 Endurance Magazine-USATF North Carolina Long Distance Running Championship Series.

This series includes race distances from 1 Mile to the Marathon.

Other host cities include Charlotte, Durham, Nags Head, Cary, Chapel Hill and Winston-Salem.

For more information about the event, visit www.therocketmile.com.

TOBS: The Wilson Tobs of the Coastal Plains Baseball League are currently offering a Valentine's Day 14-Pack of tickets.

The package includes 14 general admission tickets to any 2016 regular season home game. Fireworks Nights are included.

For more information or to purchase a package, contact the Wilson Tobs at (252) 291-8627.

NASCAR: Just in time for the Class of 2016 Induction Ceremony, the NASCAR Hall of Fame and Team Penske are launching a limited-time special exhibit, "Celebrating the 50th anniversary of Team Penske," in the NASCAR Hall of Fame's Great Hall.

The exhibit will run through June 30.

The exhibit celebrates Team Penske's storied history over the past 50 years with cars, trophies and never-before-seen artifacts from Team Penske's archives, highlighting their successful NASCAR program as well as their achievements in multiple racing disciplines over the years.

Team Penske began as Roger Penske Racing in 1966, competing in sports car and endurance events. The team won its class in the 24 Hours of Daytona in its first start, and since then Team Penske has produced a combined 424 wins, 487 pole positions and 28 national championships.

The team has also earned 16 Indianapolis 500 victories, two Daytona 500 Championships, overall victories in the 24 Hours of Daytona and the 12 Hours of Sebring, and a Formula One win.

Tickets to the NASCAR Hall of Fame can be purchased by calling (877) 231-2010 or by visiting nascarhall.com.

Admission is \$19.95 for adults, \$17.95 for seniors and military, \$12.95 for children 5-12 and free for children younger than 5.

The NASCAR Hall of Fame is open daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

TRAVEL TEAM: The Wilson Reds 10-Under Travel Baseball Team is currently seeking players for the upcoming spring season.

Players can't turn 11 years old before May 1, 2016.

For more information about the travel squad, contact Linwood Scott at (252) 299-4841.