

MMA matches are scheduled for next month at the Millennium Center,

Local Mixed Martial Arts fighters to be showcased

Event to hit downtown Millennium Center Jan. 17

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

According to Ring of Dreams fight promoter Kerry Smith, interest in mixed martial arts is growing quickly in the Triad. Local fans will get an up close look at some of the excitement when several bouts take place

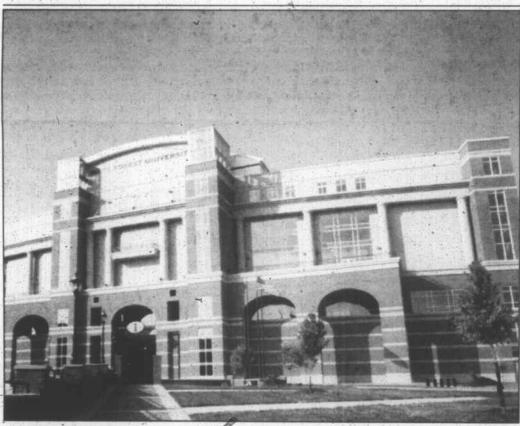
MMA's Circle of Fury will be showcasing new talent as well as familiar names on Jan. 17 at the Downtown Millennium Center at 101 West 5th Street in Winston-Salem. The doors will open at 6:30 p.m. The fights are scheduled to start at 7:30 p.m.

On the card are Ryan Hayes, former Parkland wrestler Lane Wilmoth, Casey Hogge, Jeff Tharington, Randy Lawson, Josh Stanley and Grey Adams - all fighting out of the Triad. With mixed martial arts gaining momentum and fans in WinstonSalem as well as the USA, Circle of Fury has put together a much anticipated event.

"This promises to be great entertainment," said Smith. "Everyone should come out to the Millennium Center and support our local fighters. Don't miss it. It's going to be a lot of fun too."

Ticket prices are \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door, all seats reserved, For VIP Sponsorship and VIP Tables (seat 10, limited number available), contact Kerry Smith at 336-575-8189.

Tickets are on sale now at www.RingofDreams.com, the Millenium Center 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., the Dummit Law Firm and Ted's Famous Chicken during business wours. For more information on tickets, call 336-201-0089 or 336-575-8189.



Fans can win season tickets for Loyears at BB&T Stadium, pictured here.

"Last Fan Sitting" contest to start

Win Football Seat Rights and Wake Forest season tickets for 15 years by outlasting others in a competition of perseverance at BB&T Field. The \$22,000 prize could be yours if you are the Last Fan Sitting.

· Contest participants have the opportunity to win four Football Seat Rights, with first pick in the year two seat. rights selection process from available seating inventory. The contest winner will receive complimentary season tickets for the selected seat right location for the entire 15-year term of the right, so long all four tickets are scanned at every home football game.

Registered contest participants must remain sitting in a designated areagof the stands at BB&T Field, and the last person sitting will. win the Football Seat Rights prize. Throughout the contest participants will have the opportunity to compete in challenges in order to win prizes that will make their sitting more enjoyable. The contest will begin the morning of January 5, 2009 at-5:30 a.m.

The Football Seat Rights

Program allows fans to lock Competition will select first in a seat at BB&T Field for 15, 20 or 25 years by making a one-time per-seat donation to current and future Athletic Department capital currently accepting commit- at: 499 Deacon Blvd. ment forms for the second Winston-Salem, NC. 27105. year of the program. More information and download. able commitment forms are available at www.wakeforestfacilities.com. The winner of the Last Fan Sitting

in the second year Football Seat Rights process.

To-register, return both projects. After strong first- the registration form and year sales. Wake Forest is, waiver to the Deacon Club or fax to 336-758-4913. Registration Friday, January 2: For more information about the competition call (336) 758-6019.



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Lady Deacs remain undefeated after win

CHRONICLE STAFF REPORT

The East Tennessee State Buccaneers cut the Wake Forest lead to just one point with two minutes to play, but a jump shot from Corinne Groves allowed the Demon Deacons to stay ahead in the final minute en route to a 72-66 win on Sunday

ETSU (3-6) forward Siarre Evans was the leading scorer with 22 points and leading rebounder with 13 boards. Wake Forest sophomore Brittany Waters netted a team-high 19 points and junior Courteney Morris led the Deacons in rebounding with nine.

Wake Forest is now 11-0, marking the longest winning streak in program history. The previous win-streak record was set during the 1987-88 season, when Wake Forest finished 23-8 and made its first appearance in the NCAA Tournament.

This was Wake's first game without starting point guard Tiffany Roulhac, who is out indefinitely with a knee injury sustained in practice after the holiday break. Freshman Brooke Thomas got her first start at point, playing 26 minutes with five points, four assists and three steals.

Sophomore Collier had her best 3-point performance of the season, hitting four-of-six shots from beyond the arc. The Washington, D.C. native tallied 16 points through 31 minutes.

After exchanging baskets in the opening minutes, Wake Forest pulled ahead to gain its largest lead of the game, holding a 22-7 advantage over the Bucs just 10 minutes into play. By the half, ETSU cut Wake Forest lead to nine, going into halftime with a 38-29 score.

Latishas Belcher opened scoring in the second half with a layup in ETSU's first possession. At 17:40 Evans hit a layup and followed with a 3-pointer to whittle Wake's lead to three (42-37). A layup from Wake Forest freshman Secily Ray sparked a 9 Deacon run that Belcher finally ended. with a jumper with 15:16 on

ETSU was then able to capitalize on free throw opportunities to narrow the lead once again. The Bucs shot.

Wake's Corinne Groves put the Deacs up for good against ETSU on Sunday.

shot 77 percent from the line while the Deacons shot well of 72 percent with a 46 percent performance (6-13).

With exactly two minutes to play ETSU's Gwen Washington put in a layup to cut Wake's lead to 67-66, action on Jan. 1, hosting After a couple of missed free UNC Wilmington at 1 p.m. throws from Brittany, The Bemon Deacons will Waters, the Bucs regained then kickoff a three-game possession, but Alex road trip, starting with Tchangoue picked up a Richmond on Jan. 6, continrebound and sent a long pass to Corinne Groves who put the Deacs in front 69-66 with her trademark jump

The wind immediately blew out of the Buccaneers' below their season average sails. Groves followed with another layup and Brooke Thomas set the final-score with a free throw.

> Wake Forest returns to uing with conference opener against Maryland on Jan. 8 and wrapping up with Virginia on Jan: 11.

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